

AARON COMPANY TO BUILD.

A Six Story Building to Be Erected Next Spring on North Pittsburg Street.

WILL COST IN NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$75,000.

Lessees of the Property on Which the Building Is to Be Erected Looking About for New Locations.

The Aaron Furniture Company are perfecting plans for the erection of a large six story brick building that they intend to erect next spring on the corner of Pittsburg and Apple streets, opposite their present store. Their plans will necessitate tearing down the buildings now occupied by Max Thompson and the Hoop Hardware Company.

The work cannot commence before the first of next April owing to the fact that the Hoop Hardware Company have a lease on the building which will not expire until that date.

Clarence Hoop, of that firm, was looking around town this morning for a new location. When the lease was made between Aaron and Hoop, it was under provisional conditions. Hoop was to have the building for two years unless it was decided by the Aaron company to build before that time. The expiration of the first year of the lease next April. Max Thompson is making arrangements to close out his stock of goods and to go out of business entirely. The Hoop Hardware Company may move their goods over to New Haven.

CONGRESS IN SESSION

Senate and House of Representatives Meet at Noon Today.

LITTLE BUSINESS TRANSACTED

Adjournment Taken Until Tomorrow

Out of Respect for Deceased Member—President Roosevelt's Message to Be Read at Tuesday's Session.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The first act of the senate after convening today will be one of respect to the memory of two distinguished senators whose deaths have occurred since the adjournment of congress. Senator Penrose immediately after the senate is called to order will announce Senator Quay's demise and then will give way to Senator Lodge to perform a like service in the case of Senator Hoar.

Adjournment for the day will follow at once, and will postpone receipt of the president's annual message until Tuesday. That document will be received early Tuesday and very little if any further business beyond its reading and the induction into office of Messrs. Knox of Pennsylvania and Crane of Massachusetts will be undertaken that day. For the remainder of the week exceedingly brief sessions are expected. On Thursday an adjournment will be taken until the following Monday.

It will be exceptional if there should be any routine business, but the week will not be lost, as the time will be devoted to preparation for the remainder of the session.

Philippine Bill on Calendar.

Senator Lodge will press the house bill for the amendment of the Philippine government law as soon as it is practicable to get that measure before the senate, and has announced his intention not to brook opposition to its consideration. The bill has the vast advantage of being on the calendar as unfinished business, so that it cannot be easily displaced. It is not probable, however, that Mr. Lodge now will attempt more with reference to it than to give notice of his intention to press its adoption. Before the close of the session last spring Senator Hoar gave notice that on next Tuesday he would call up the bill providing means for the protection of the president, but owing to the death of the senator consideration of the bill will be deferred for some time. Senator Heyburn gave notice last session that he would call up the pure food bill next Thursday, but while it is generally understood that he will press the motion at all proper times, it is believed that he will not make serious effort to proceed with it during the first few days of the session.

Attention will be given to filling committee vacancies caused by the deaths of Senators Hanna, Hoar and Quay, but the disposition seems to be opposed to doing more in that direction at present than to assign to Senator Platt of Connecticut the chairmanship of the committee on the judiciary, which place will go to him by virtue of seniority.

House Will Also Adjourn Early.—In the house the first day will be devoted to calling the roll and swearing in new members who have been elected to fill vacancies. The usual committee will be appointed to inform the president the house is in session and the resolution notifying the senate that a quorum of the house is ready for business will be passed. Tuesday the president's message will be read, but it is not expected that any other business will be transacted. An intimation has been given that objection may be interposed against

administering the oath of office to J. Thomas Heflin, who has been elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Representative Thompson from the Fifth Alabama district, on account of certain language Heflin is alleged to have used regarding the president of the United States. In case objection should be made there no doubt will be a spirited party debate.

LAND IN DISPUTE

Over a Title and Payment for It in Bullskin Township.

A statement and abstract of title was filed at Uniontown this morning in the case of Mary B. Anderson vs. John C. Slater. This is a matter of litigation over certain land in Bullskin township. The defendant avers that the title is in him, and denies that a one half interest is vested in the plaintiff, because of the violation of an article of agreement.

An article of agreement, attached to the statement, sets forth that the plaintiff was to pay \$975 for the undivided one-half interest. According to the terms of this agreement the plaintiff paid \$200 down, but neglected and refused to pay the balance. For this reason the defendant avers that the title of the land is in him and in him only, and that he has no right or claim to the property.

BACK FROM DUBOIS.

Contractor Wilkey Brings 35 Head of Stock Overland.

Charles Wilkey passed through Connellsville on Saturday evening with 35 head of horses and mules. He had come overland with the stock from Dubois, Pa., where he has been for several weeks on a contract for the building of some coke ovens. The work has been completed and the ovens will soon be ready to fire. Mr. Wilkey will winter the stock in the southern end of the county, or rather until work is found for team on another contract.

WELL EQUIPPED

Will Squire Boyle Be on His Annual Hunting Trip.

Tomorrow Justice of the Peace John Boyle of Uniontown goes mountainward for his annual hunting trip. He is taking three shotguns and three rifles. He has four hounds, six bird dogs, a pack of six beagles and a French poodle. He refuses to tell his destination, claiming that he has a sure tip on the best game preserve in the mountain region.

Squire Boyle will send daily bulletins of his success to his friends in Uniontown.

CARS DERAILED.

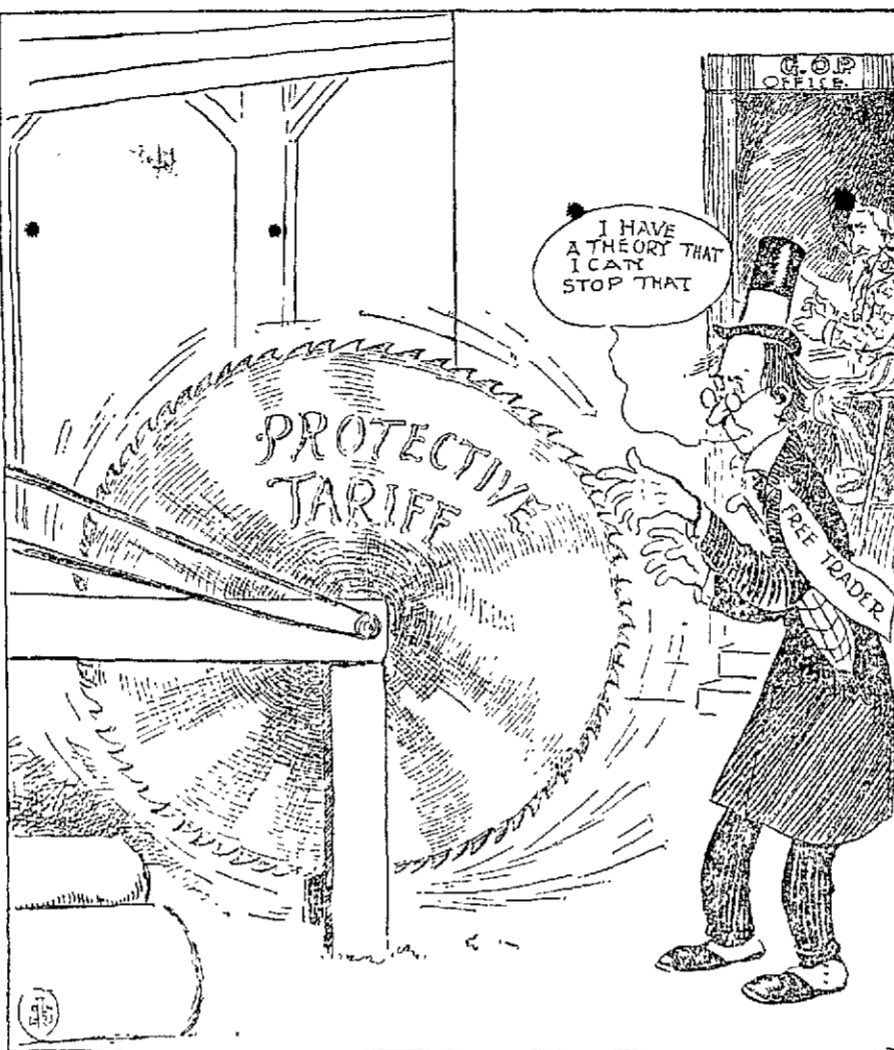
Wreck at Hoblitzel Blocks Tracks for Several Hours.

A little after noon on Sunday four cars were derailed at Hoblitzel in Extra No. 1845, westbound. Conductor W. H. Leekueby was in charge of the train. Although no one was hurt, both tracks were blocked for several hours. The eastbound track was cleared at 3:15 P. M., and the westbound track five minutes later.

Nos. 5, 46, 49 and the second section of No. 6 were delayed by the accident. No damage was done to the track.

Takes Rev. Beacom's Charge.—Rev. Silas T. Mitchell, D. D., presiding elder of the Blairsville district of the Methodist Episcopal church, has appointed Rev. W. B. Bergen, of Blairsville, to succeed the late Rev. H. C. Beacom, D. D., as pastor of the Bolivar charge.

Old Church Dedicated.—The new St. Michael's Lutheran Church at Pine Hill, near Meyersdale, was dedicated on Sunday. The organization of the church was effected in 1790.



Uncle Sam—Better keep away from there Mister! According to U. S. history, people have been damaged trying to stop that piece of machinery.

CRIMINAL COURT ON.

Opening Session Began This Morning at Uniontown at 10 O'Clock.

CHARGE TO THE GRAND JURY.

Was of Usual Nature and Was Delivered by Judge Reppert—There are Four Murders on the Docket for Trial—Some of Them Interesting.

Special to The Courier.

Uniontown, Dec. 5.—December term of court opened this morning with the usual large gathering of citizens and officials from all over Fayette county.

Court convened in the large courtroom with Judges E. H. Reppert and R. E. Umbel on the bench. The Constables made their returns in the usual manner. Nothing was said to the constabulary as a whole, but Constable A. L. Bennett, of Brownsville township, was called up for a little heart-to-heart talk with the judges. He was asked whether he was or was not living in the township in which he was serving.

He said that at present he was not living in the township, but was "shantying" in a new house he owned, which is just over the township line. "I am living there," he said, "until I can sell the house. It is only a short distance from my father's house and very handy to the important part of the township." "Isn't there quite a little poker playing and gambling in that section?" asked Judge Umbel. "Not that I know of," said the constable. "If there was I would report it." "It is a close question whether or not your returns will be received" was the judge's parting remark to Bennett.

Judge Reppert made the customary address to the Grand Jury, after appointing George B. Freck of Connellsville, foreman. All the jurymen except one answered to their names at roll call. The judge dwelt at considerable length on the prevalence of "cross suits" in the courts, and told the jurymen to scan these carefully, and if they found that spite or malice prompted them to place the costs on the prosecutors, witnesses were warned to be within call when they were wanted. The court stated that witnesses were not summoned in order that they could attend to business in the County Seat or its vicinity. He said if witnesses persisted in neglecting their duty some examples will be made in a not very pleasant manner.

Considerable orphans court and routine business was disposed of before the panel of traverse jurors was called.

THE NEXT INSTITUTE.

Slogan Will Be a Factor in Fight for County Superintendent.

WHAT JOHN S. CARROLL SAYS.

Opinion of Teachers Differs and the Matter of a Location is Immaterial to Him—Dunbar Really Center of the County.

Special to The Courier.

"Connellsville or Uniontown for the Institute" will be the slogan of the next fight for the office of County Superintendent. The sentiment in favor of moving the institute to the industrial center of Fayette county has increased amazingly since the County's recent exposition of the hotel conditions which exist in the County Seat. That a strong effort will be made to get the institute to Connellsville in 1905 is now certain and expressions commending the move are heard on all sides.

To a Courier correspondent County Superintendent John S. Carroll said this morning: "It is altogether probable that someone else than me will decide where next year's institute will be held. Of course, you can never tell what will happen, but at present I have not the slightest idea that I will be a candidate for reelection. If I am, and in the event of my election, I will be perfectly willing to move the institute to Connellsville in case it is the wish of the majority of the educational interests."

"The matter is really immaterial to me. A number of teachers and others interested in education from the north end of the county have asked me about the matter. Their opinions differ about the wisdom of the move, but a number have expressed themselves in favor of it. It will be the teachers and school directors who will have the matter to decide."

"If the figure at which the Connellsville theatre could be secured, as quoted to me, is correct, that would be one strong advantage in favor of the move. Connellsville is really as much an educational center of the county as Uniontown is. A line dividing the number of school teachers, drawn from east to west, would probably pass in the vicinity of Dunbar, nearer to Connellsville than to Uniontown."

FELONIOUS SHOOTING

Is Charged Against Two Young Men at Uniontown.

Harry Jordan and Joseph Bradbourne were arrested Saturday afternoon by Constable Milton Morris and lodged in jail at Uniontown on a charge of felonious shooting. The affair which resulted in their arrest happened in a house of ill repute on Grant street, Uniontown. Neighbors heard several shots fired inside the house.

KNOB MINE BURNING.

Explosion of Gas in Shaft Near West Brownsville Ignites Coal.

By a gas explosion in the Knob mine near West Brownsville, the coal was ignited on Friday and the flames are increasing, notwithstanding every effort to extinguish it. The Knob is owned by the Monacaugh River Consolidated Coal & Coke Company.

The smoke from the burning mine has stepped the Beaumont mines from operating. The city hose from Bridgeport was used in an attempt to flood the mine without success, and brick and wood structures are now being built with a view of smothering out the fire. Fire has burned to an entry of the Beaumont, which is gassy, and strenuous efforts are being made to keep the flames back, as an explosion is feared.

Got a Bad Fall.

Colonel James M. Reed, a former treasurer of Westmoreland county, fell on an icy pavement at Greensburg, and was seriously hurt. Internal injuries are feared.

A SCHOOL FOR GREENWOOD.

There Are Many Children There Who Should Have Their Own Public School Facilities.

PROPERTY OWNERS WILL TAKE MATTER UP.

If School District Will Not Erect Building the Land Company in New Haven's Big Suburb Will Take Some Action

Greenwood, the very substantial and growing suburb of New Haven, is in need of a public school. The new town is in Dunbar township. There is no school handy for the children of the families there. Most of them, who can afford it, attend the New Haven public schools. This is quite a burden, however, since tuition must be paid there. This often makes it a hardship for persons living there. Some families have as much as \$5.00 and \$6.00 a month to pay for school tuition. With a rental of \$15 or \$20 a month this is more than ordinary

families can stand. The result sometimes is that families who would prefer to live in Greenwood are compelled to move elsewhere where they can have better school privileges.

The outcome of this state of affairs is that a four-room school house is to be built in Greenwood. There are upwards of 100 pupils there and in the Fuchrer addition who will attend. If the School District of Dunbar township do not erect the building for next term, the Greenwood Land Company will take the matter up and build a school of their own.

MIXED ON SCHEDULE.

Many Persons Were Stranded in Town Saturday Night.

Night before last was the first Saturday night that the West Penn Railway Company's street cars were operated under the new schedule, and there were several people from outlying towns who had to spend the night in Connellsville owing to the fact that they were not familiar with the changes that had been made during the week. The confusion in regard to the schedule was not limited to the passengers, but the motormen and conductors also got mixed up a little. After dark the cars commenced to run a good bit at random, and they never did get straightened out that night.

Scottsdale people were the worst sufferers on Saturday night. Upwards of 20 of them were stranded here. Some of them hired rigs and drove over, it being necessary that they show up for breakfast on Sunday morning. Some Dawson and Vanderbilt people also were left. For a while on Saturday evening between 8 and 9 o'clock there were five cars went north on the main line before a south bound car arrived.

Another complaint comes from South Connellsville residents and also those who have business in that vicinity. The most of the day there is only one car running. As the place mill is about to start in operation, the difference in the schedule will be seriously felt. The 15 minute schedule has been run during the darkest months of the year, and when business seems about to pick up, that schedule is only run from about noon on. It is likely that the old schedule will be put back on the Suburban.

PECULIAR WEATHER.

Saturday Remarkable for a Genuine London Fog.

The month of December is starting out as a record breaker for weather. First there came a real snow, one that clouded the sun with its myriad of flakes. Closely following the snow came warmer weather and Saturday we experienced a genuine London fog. Lights had to be lit in all business houses, and homes shortly after noon. By three o'clock day had the ordinary appearance of six o'clock at five it was dark. Part of the day a light drizzling rain fell. It was not sufficient to help in any way the severe drought that has existed for weeks further than to check some small mountain fires that have been burning.

Snow was predicted by the weather bureau for Saturday night and Sunday, but it failed to materialize. Meanwhile the temperature continues away above the freezing point, and rain appears as far away as ever.

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25 YEARS SERVICE.

Splendid Coke Making Record of Jos. Robbins, Former Connellsville Boy.

ALL WITH B. F. KESTER & CO.

He Only Missed 50 Days and All Those in Two Vacations, from His Work as Yard Boss and Later as Superintendent.

It is doubtful if there be in the region a man with a record for better or more continuous service than that held by a Connellsville born boy, Joseph Robbins, who has rounded out a quarter of a century as yard boss and now superintendent for the Franklin works of B. F. Kester & Company, at Thistman station, on the Mt. Pleasant branch of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. In that 25 years Mr. Robbins was absent from his place of duty but 50 days, and these were encompassed in two vacations which he enjoyed. It speaks well for em-



ployer and employee that such relations are possible. The excellent portrait herewith presented, which was made by Mr. Robbins but a few days ago, shows that his steady attention to his work has not gone against him. He is in the prime of life and fit for many more years of active service. He is looked upon as one of the best coke burners in the region, and has a wide range of experience and is popular with all whom he meets.

He is a son of the late Levi Robbins, well known about Connellsville, and spent his boyhood days here, and used to railroad with Postmaster Clark Collins, the late James Emery, and other Connellsville boys. He is married to a daughter of Jacob Wheeland, who lived back of Connellsville, and later moved to Ohio. They have a family of 10 hearty boys, two of whom voted at the last election, and have a nice home at Thistman station.

Knights of Pythias Age Limit.

The proposition to make 18 years the age limit for admission to the order of Knights of Pythias of the world, which was submitted to and passed by the last session of the supreme convention of that order, has been approved by Charles E. Shively, the supreme chancellor. The proposed amendment will now go to the various grand lodges for action.

Prominent Minister Dead.

Rev. Cyrus R. Dieffenbacher, one of the best known ministers of the Reformed Church in Pennsylvania, died at his home at Youngwood on Sunday.

CARNegie ON NOTES.

One for \$500,000 and Other \$250,000 in Chadwick Case.

ARE UNDOUBTEDLY FORGERIES.

Notes Taken in Charge by United States Officials—This Morning's Developments in Famous Case Were Sensational.

Special to The Courier.
Cleveland, O., Dec. 5.—This is the morning chapter of the Chadwick story: Two notes, one for \$500,000 and the other for \$250,000, which have been mentioned in connection with the Oberlin bank and the great Chadwick mystery bear the signature of "Andrew Carnegie" and a note for a smaller sum are now in possession of the United States government authorities at Cleveland. The note for half a million is supposed to be safely deposited in the box of President Bookwith of Oberlin bank to which he has the key, and this box is in the vault of the closed bank.

A subpoena for Robert Lyons, receiver of the bank, was issued by District Attorney Sullivan Monday morning who ordered him to appear in court in Cleveland at a preliminary hearing of Bookwith and Cashier Spear, to bring with him all securities found in the Oberlin bank bearing signature or endorsement whether of C. L. Chadwick or Andrew Carnegie. The vital question now is whether the signature of Andrew Carnegie to these notes are genuine or forged.

CONGRESS CONVENES.

Senator Frye and Speaker Cannon Call Their Respective Bodies to Order.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—[Special.]—The hum of conversation in the galleries, occasional bursts of laughter from the floor, Republicans good naturedly chaffing unfortunate Democrats, beautifully costumed women, magnificent floral pieces covering desks and aisles to overflowing and everything aglow with color, life and light marked the preliminaries to the opening of Congress at high noon today. Gavel fell suddenly, producing an effective as discharge from a pistol conversation ceased; laughter was suppressed and a moment of absolute silence preceded Senator Frye's announcement.

In well rounded tones he said: "The senate will be in order." "The house will be in order," piped "Uncle Joe" Cannon at the other end of the capitol, and the legislative bodies of the United States began another session.

ARE BEHIND THE RECORD.

Men in Six Day Bicycle Race Cannot Keep Up Pace.

New York, Dec. 5.—[Special.]—At nine o'clock this morning 13 of the 17 teams which entered the six day bicycle race had 197 miles and one lap to their credit. This is about seven miles less than was done in the same time last year.

King and Rossini found the pace too hot for them and dropped out. There were several spills, but the most serious accident was to Keegan, who had his face badly cut. The race for the first nine hours was pretty stiff, but riders were falling behind the records with each succeeding hour.

DISTANT SHIPMENT.

Order Placed for 30 Cars of Coke for Douglas, Arizona.

An unusually long shipment of coke has been placed with Pickens, Magee & Company, coke dealers of Uniontown, for 30 steel hopper cars of coke to be shipped to Douglas, Ariz.

This coke is to be used in the custom trade, and it is seldom that orders are received from points at such a long distance from here.

SOUTH SHARON BUSY.

More Hot Mills Resume Operation at That Place.

Sharon, Pa., Dec. 5.—[Special.]—Five more hot mills at the South Sharon plant of the Tin Plate company resumed operation within a few days.

Two hundred and fifty additional men went on this morning, and the Angle mill at North Works, Carnegie Company, resumed operation today after an idleness of several months, giving employment to nearly 200 men.

ENORMOUS APPROPRIATIONS

Estimates Reach More Than One and One-Half Billions.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—[Special.]—Congress convened promptly at noon and many bills and petitions were presented. General estimates of the appropriations for the fiscal year of 1906 were submitted, the grand total being \$1,519,669,000.

Child Was Scalded.

Joe Dotsey, a two-year-old child from South Connelville, was taken to the hospital yesterday afternoon suffering from scalds which it had received. While the child was badly burned, the hospital physician held out high hopes of its recovery.

Nash Weather Bulletin.

The noon weather bulletin says: Snow tonight. Tuesday minimum: tonight about freezing.

SMITHFIELD.

News and Local Items from Fayette's Baby Borough.

Smithfield, Dec. 5.—The Courier's account of the hearing of Major Barrett held before Squire Boyce at Uniontown aroused the indignation of the veterans of the G. A. R. hero. It was read at a regular meeting of Jerry Jones Post held Saturday afternoon and led to an animated discussion and denunciation of the mode of punishment adopted by this military martinet. By a unanimous vote of the post a committee of three was appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the feelings of the post in the matter.

A disagreeable row started Saturday night on the principal thoroughfare of the town at which some blood and volumes of profanity flowed. This emphasizes the fact that the town needs a police officer.

The report of the Smithfield public schools for the third school month ending November, 29, is as follows: Room No. 3, Chas. B. Morgan, teacher; number of scholars in attendance, 28; average attendance, 25; per cent of attendance, 91; scholars making highest grades, Margaret Stachor 96 per cent, Charles Moser 94 per cent, Ella Conn 93 per cent.

Room No. 2, Julia E. Peters, teacher; number of scholars in attendance, 51; average attendance, 41; per cent of attendance, 90; scholars making highest grades, Frank Stuck 93 per cent, William Foye 96 per cent.

Room No. 1, Mabel L. Woodfill, teacher; number of scholars in attendance, 63; average attendance, 50; per cent of attendance, 87; scholars making highest grades, Ray Hilbs 93 per cent, Jesse Cooley 90 per cent.

Summary, total number of scholars in attendance, 142; average attendance, 116; per cent of attendance, 90; visits by directors, G. A. Whitel, H. O'Neil, C. B. Morgan is principal of the schools.

IN CRIMINAL COURT.

First Case Taken Up This Afternoon at Uniontown.

Uniontown, Dec. 5.—[Special.]—The first case taken up after noon today in court was that of the Pittsburgh Type & Iron Company against V. Rubenitz of Uniontown. The suit is for a balance of \$177 and interest from last May. The amount is claimed as a difference on a car of scrap iron which Rubenitz shipped the plainiffs. The case is before Judge Repp in the large court room.

Another case is an action to have viewers appointed in the estate of Ferd Laughhead against the B. & O. railroad operating the Fairmont branch. The action grows out of alleged damages claimed for a siding that has been put into the Rund Powder plant and which it is claimed damaged the Laughhead property, especially two fine springs.

HEAVY SNOW STORM

Strikes Connelville Shortly Before Noon This Morning.

About 11 o'clock this morning a light fall of snow commenced which rapidly developed into a genuine snow storm. It kept up all afternoon, and there was two inches on the ground shortly after noon.

At the time of going to press there were no favorable indications of a let up, and the snow was falling as fast as ever. The city is covered with a white sheet of crystal, and walking is far from comfortable. Street car motormen are greatly inconvenienced by the fact that the snow covers the windows that protect them from the elements, making their vision difficult.

EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETING.

Of the M. E. Church to Be Held Friday Evening.

The regular monthly business meeting of the Epworth League of the M. E. Church will be held Friday evening, December 9, at the home of Miss Mary Hicks on Fayette street. All members are requested by the committee to wear some ingenious design which may suggest the title of some familiar book, thus affording an opportunity for the exercises of literary taste.

A pleasant and interesting evening is anticipated and all are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

TIN HOUSE STARTS.

Will Commence Operation About a Week Ahead of Hot Mills.

The tin house of the Hamberg Plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company will resume operations tomorrow, and it is expected that the hot mills will commence the first of next week.

For the last three weeks there has been a large force of men at work at the mills getting everything in shape for starting the mill in operation. There will not be a pay day until the last of the month, which will greatly disappoint those who hoped to have some money for Christmas purchases.

THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

General Worth Encampment to Celebrate Next Wednesday Night.

The General Worth Encampment, No. 158, I. O. O. F., will celebrate its 35th anniversary next Wednesday evening, December 7, in the Odd Fellows Hall at 8 o'clock. Grand Patriarch Cleon Gleason of Pittsburgh will be present, and other Grand Lodge officers have been invited to attend.

There will be speaking by various Odd Fellows, Odd Fellows, ladies, wives, and friends of the order are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

GOSSIP OF THE STAGE.

Coming Attractions at Colonial and Connelville Theatres.

The determination of a person to accomplish results measures the ratio of success achieved by the individual. This is evidenced particularly in the case of Mildred Holland, the brilliant and accomplished emotional actress, who will portray the role of Catherine the Great of Russia, in her latest success, "The Triumph of An Empress" at the new Colonial Theatre, tonight, Monday, December 5. Miss Holland's career has been marked by strenuous effort and conscientious endeavor to do at all times the best that is in her. Her rendition of Catherine is a performance replete with bright touches of genius and polished by a careful study of all phases of that great woman's private and public life.

In reviewing the first performance of the play the critic of the Boston Post wrote as follows of Miss Holland's work: "From her first appearance as the hoydenish princess to the last when as Empress and mother she displayed the nobleness of her nature, the actress was to be heartily commended. There was a naturalness to her reading quite remarkable, and in the stronger passages she was equally effective. She has evidently studied diligently and intelligently as well, and with last evening's performance as a criterion, she can lay claim to be classed among the best of American stars." Few women on the stage today could have given a character of so more pleasing portrayal as "Mad Miss Fitt" and "Toby Hoxie."

The attraction at the Colonial Theatre tomorrow night is "Toby Hoxie," a beautiful pastoral play in which Ernest Lawson, the author, is starring under the management of Ralph Pinkham. Judging by the reports from the West, where the play was seen last season, it is a refreshing bit of the arid entertainment, clean, amusing and with a strong heart interest. The characters are said to be quaint, yet eminently human, and the story, one that holds the interest from start to finish.

POINT MARION.

Day's Events From Upper Monongahela Glass Town.

Pt. Marion, Dec. 3.—A gentleman from Rochester, Pa., was here yesterday looking after a site for a glass plant. They manufacture pressed ware and we trust they will be able to select a site here, for we have an abundance of gas and very cheap at that.

Mr. Boyer, the relief operator at this place has been called away for a day or two and A. G. Basser of Glassport has charge for a few nights.

Miss Pearl Sample, teacher in room No. 3 of our school, left on the afternoon train yesterday for her home near Smithfield where she will spend Sunday at her home.

A. W. Cronin, the tailor from Uniontown, spent Friday as the guest of B. L. Tins.

William Lockard is assisting in I. N. Conn's store morning and evening and on Saturday.

James Phillete of Monaca is visiting August Deacon this week and will remain over Sunday to attend the funeral of August's little boy, which takes place today.

Insurance Agent J. D. Porter of Connelville was here yesterday looking after business.

John A. Clark and son James have returned from their visit to the St. Louis World's Fair and with friends in Nebraska.

SWINDLER CAUGHT.

Woman Who Victimizes Priests Said to Have Been Arrested.

The woman who gave her name as Florence O'Neill and victimized several priests in Western Pennsylvania is said to have been arrested at Tyrone, Pa., trying to work the same game she did on Father John T. Burns, of Connelville.

At Tyrone the woman gave a foreign name and was accompanied by a man. The description tallies with that of the woman who worked this scheme of the country.

It Is Squire Smurr.

Harry Smurr of New Haven has been appointed squire by the Governor of Pennsylvania to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Squire W. H. Berger. Mr. Smurr received his commission papers Saturday.

Special Missionary Meeting.

A special meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. H. S. Buckwalter on East Fairview avenue.

The Cecilian Self-Playing Piano. Will be on exhibition at the Wright-Metzler store Tuesday, December 5. It will be glad to meet and entertain all lovers of fine music. Concerts afternoon and evening. Be sure to call. 10-cent.

New Haven Council.

The regular monthly session of the New Haven Council will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the Council room.

Visiting Parents.

Mrs. B. F. Miller of Pittsburgh is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bush of the York House.

Plumber Burned by Gas.

Almer Hitchman, a Mr. Pleasant plumber, was seriously burned on Saturday by a gas explosion.

Kendall Brothers in Town.

Hon. S. A. Kendall of Myersdale and Judge U. S. Kendall of Fairmont were in town today.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From All Parts of the Town.

Mrs. Porter of Dunbar was in town Friday.

Joseph McGrath of Dunbar was shaking hands with friends in town Friday.

All the monthly magazines at R. E. Porter & Co.

Miss Helen French of Dawson was the guest of friends in town Friday evening.

Mrs. Upton Spear, was down from Dunbar Friday on a shopping tour.

The Second National Bank of Connelville, Pa., pays 2% on daily balances and 5% on savings accounts.

Mr. and Mrs. George Morulken and little daughter of Pittsburgh were the guests of Mrs. J. H. White of Green street Sunday.

Miss Catharine McParland of East Main street was calling on friends at Dunbar Sunday.

Hogs, hams, lard, home dressed at W. S. Kreyer's meat market, 7c per pound, delivered free and promptly.

Miss Helen McLaughlin of Broad Ford was shopping in town on Saturday.

Francis Richey of Pennsylvania was in town Sunday.

Mrs. Rita and Harriet Berzer of New Haven were calling on friends in Uniontown Saturday.

The First National Bank of Connelville has a surplus more than double its capital. Pays interest on checking accounts at 2 per cent, on savings accounts at 4 per cent.

Miss Lida Herwick of North Pittsburgh street spent Sunday with friends at Stewarton.

Mr. and Mrs. William Branthoover of Penn station, Mr. Rumbach of Williamsburg, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rhodes of Main street Saturday evening.

\$500.00 to \$1,000.00 a year in the Railway Mail, Postal and other lines of government service. We prepare by mail for examination. Nearly 20,000 appointments last year. For particulars address, Civil Service School, 912 Walnut street, Philadelphia.

Mrs. F. B. Markert of North Pittsburgh street is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Herbert Knox, of Williamsburg.

Edwin Bissell of Bear Run was in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jarrett of Scotland were calling on friends in town Sunday evening.

NEW HAVEN.

Local Matters From the Sister Borough Across the Youghiogheny.

Miss Mary Seanson of Greenwood returned home Sunday from a week's visit with friends in Altoona.

Joseph Freed and son, Arthur, of Vanderhill, were in town Saturday.

J. C. Hooy of Beaver Falls spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hooy, of Main street.

Miss Myrtle McDiffett, Miss Mollie Balsey of New Haven, Miss Linda Hane and Miss Mayne Burns of Leokent were at Vanderhill Saturday attending the teachers' institute.

Mrs. Woodward of near Vanderhill was shopping in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Patterson and Mrs. David Parkhill and Jas. Cape, all of town, were at Perryopolis today attending the funeral services of the late James Murphy, which were conducted from his late home this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

W. B. Cochran of Chicago is visiting relatives in town.

Miss Mabel Jones, who has been ill in Greenwood for the past several days, is improving rapidly.

Mrs. Taylor Leet of Juniataville was shopping here Saturday.

Miss Bertha McParland of Greenwood was calling on friends at Vanderhill Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lang, Jr., of Sixth street were at Dunbar Saturday attending the funeral services of the latter's sister, Mrs. Shaven.

WINTER RESORTS.

Pennsylvania Railroad Company's Excursion Route Book.

In pursuance of its annual custom, the Passenger Department of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has just issued an attractive and comprehensive book descriptive of the leading winter resorts of the East and South, and giving the rates and various routes and combinations of routes of travel. Like all the publications of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, this "Winter Excursion Book" is a model of typographical and pictorial work. It is bound in a handsome and artistic cover in colors, and contains much valuable information for winter tourists and travelers in general. It can be had free of charge at the principal ticket offices of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, or will be sent postpaid upon application to Geo. W. Boyd, General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

Spend Winter in the Sunny South. As winter approaches it is noticeable how many people anticipate spending the dreary months in the "Sunny South," either for pleasure or health.

The regular winter tourist tickets are now on sale at all stations on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad to principal points in Florida and the South at very low rates.

Full information as to time of trains, routes, stop-overs, etc., can be procured on application to any ticket agent of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

"Dri and I"

Our new serial story will begin on Wednesday. Don't miss the opening chapters.

FAIR CUBA.

Delightful Snapshot Devoted to the Beauties of the New Republic.

The Seaboard Air Line railway has issued a beautiful pamphlet descriptive of Cuba, which is one of the best of its kind that has ever been issued. Magnificently illustrated, and gotten up in the most careful and artistic manner, one can almost imagine that they breathe the dreamy Southern atmosphere. Havana, the unique Cuban capital, comes in for the lion's share of the description, but the other little cities are not neglected.

The prospective visitor to the West Indies is also informed, much to his relief, that the railways are operated on the same order as our own, for the general opinion of Cuban railroading has never been very high. Since Spain lost out in the island, many modern changes have taken place.

The pamphlet not only gives a most excellent description of the country in general, but it also contains much other valuable information, such as the values of money, etc., besides being an excellent guide. The pamphlet can be secured on application to any passenger official of the Seaboard Air Line.

DIES FOR HER CHILDREN.

Heroic Mother Loses Her Life in Attempt to Save Theirs.

Pittsburg, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Amanda Perry and her two children, Harmer Perry and Charles Dallas Perry, were burned to death at their home at 4 Chatham street.

Mrs. Perry had begun to clean the carpet with gasoline when a spark from the stove ignited the carpet. The blaze communicated to the gasoline can in Mrs. Perry's hand, exploding it and scattering the contents all over the room.

Mrs. Perry ran out of the house, but remembered the two youngest children who were sleeping in another room. She ran back into the house, grabbed up her babies, and started out again. But she didn't get out.

She was overcome by smoke before she reached the doorway and fell with the children in her arms. The three corpses were found thus after the fire had been put out.

MT. BRADDOCK.

Local and Personal Gossip From the Rainey Coke Town.

Mr. Braddock, Dec. 3.—John White, one of Rainey's clerks here, left last week for Briar Hill to take charge of a store there as manager.

Grover Harshman from near Meyer is filling John White's place here in Rainey's store.

James Phalan, butcher here, went back to Reverse again last week.

Eller Hougsett has had a custom coal bank opened on his farm. Henry Underman is doing the digging for him.

Commencing Wednesday the remaining ovens of the Rainey company will be fired up.

Rainey's brick yard has closed down.

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I hereby agree to refund the money paid for Mi-na on return of empty box, if the purchaser tells me that it has failed to cure dyspepsia or stomach troubles. This guarantee covers two boxes, or a month's treatment. Price, 50c per box.

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If it were not practically infallible in curing dyspepsia and the melancholy, sleeplessness, and weak nerves caused by that disease, A. A. Clarke could not afford to sell the remedy in this way. His faith in the medicine is so implicit that this guarantee bond is given with every box he sells.

Begin the use of Mi-na today, as a few days' treatment will give relief and its continued use, perfect health.

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MORE BRAIN**

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A brain without plenty of good red blood is like a steam engine without water—it won't work.

Good blood is dependent upon a good stomach—a strong stomach that can digest food and extract the nutrition it contains.

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Don't take any chances of losing your mental vigor. Cure your dyspepsia at once. Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets will do it. We know what they are and we guarantee them to restore health, strength and a good digestion. Price 25 cents. Only at our store or by mail.

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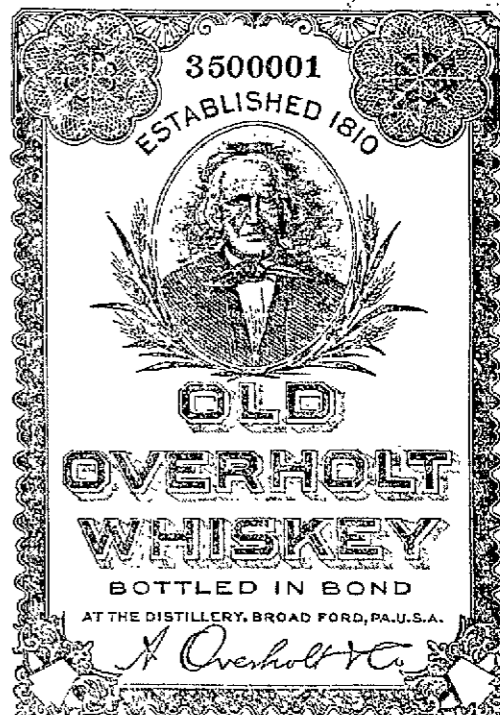
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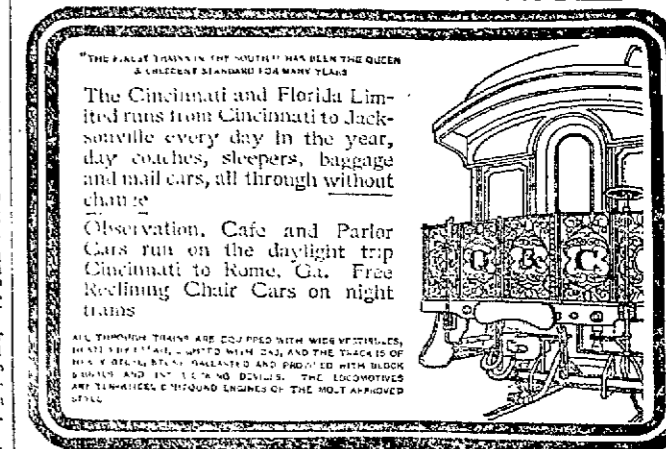
Is a stirring and delightful story of the North Country Mr. Bacheller loves so well. It is a tale of the days when the French emigres, fleeing from the Reign of Terror, built their chateaux and mansions in the northern counties of New York; the days when England tried issue again with the young republic, and when Darius Olin, quaint, rugged, wise and at all times truthful, with young Ramon Bell, two types of the men who helped to make America, rode into the Lake Champlain region to adventure, love and danger. It is a rare story of Yankee valor, Yankee humor, Yankee pluck.

Watch our columns for the opening chapters. They will appear in the near future. A. A. A.

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Japanese and Russians
Fight Desperately for
203 Meter Hill.

PERSEVERANCE WINS THE DAY

Time After Time Mikado's Men
Charge, Only to Be Beaten Back.
Russians Make Counter Charges
and Are in Turn Repulsed.

Tokio, Dec. 5.—The diary of the fighting around 203-Meter hill, which is published in the Japanese papers, describes the terrible losses involved in the storming of the Russian position from dawn of Nov. 28 till 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day. A Russian counter attack began at dawn on Nov. 29 and was so furiously pushed that the Japanese were compelled to retire from both sides of the hill into the valley.

The attack was renewed the morning of Nov. 30, "when all the Japanese reserves came up" from the southwestern corner, but these assaults only advanced 30 meters by 5 o'clock, so stubborn was the resistance, and the Japanese suffered severe losses.



Scene of operations at Port Arthur. Then, being reinforced, the Japanese maintained the struggle with terrible earnestness. Furious charges were repeatedly made and the Russians were compelled gradually to retire. The southwestern summit of the hill was not occupied until 7 o'clock in the evening and the northwestern summit not until 8 o'clock. During the night six Russian counter attacks were repulsed. One, which was launched at 4 o'clock in the morning, was characterized by several bayonet attacks and was persisted in until noon of Dec. 1, when the hopelessness of the attempts becoming evident the Russians withdrew.

Talking About Black Sea Fleet. St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—Captain Chado (who was detached from the Baltic squadron to give evidence before the North sea commission) publishes in the Novoe Vremya a memorandum submitted by Admiral Skrydloff to the emperor last spring giving the composition of the squadron to be sent out to the Pacific. The list includes the ships of Vice Admiral Rozhdestvensky's command, and also of the third squadron, including the coast defense ships Slava, Nikolai and Alexander II, the cruisers Koromet, Fosadnik, Abrek and Volodya and several torpedo boat destroyers. "In case need of further reinforcements should make it necessary to dispatch part of the Black Sea fleet."

Neither the admiralty nor the war office is able to confirm the report from Chefoo that the Japanese have been unable to hold 203-Meter hill, but this news is quite in accordance with expectations. Experts here are convinced that the capture of 203-Meter hill will be of no advantage to the Japanese unless they can gain possession of the neighboring forts.

Chinese Neutrality Violated. London, Dec. 5.—The Morning Post's correspondent at Shanghai telegraphs as follows: "Russia practically is converting Shanghai into a depot for her military and naval stores. A local German butcher has received a Russian order for several million pounds of meat. Large quantities of coal are held here on Russian account. The infringement of Shanghai's neutrality is arousing the greatest indignation."

General Kuropatkin telegraphs under date of Dec. 5 reporting unimportant skirmishes. He states that Russian scouts found at one point on the left flank 17 Japanese corpses entirely stripped of clothing, probably by local inhabitants. General Kuropatkin also relates the discovery of

two wounded Russians, who had been overlooked and left in the trenches since Oct. 16. One of them, who had been less severely wounded than his fellow, procured food by searching the bodies of the slain, and upon this they had subsisted for 45 days.

DEMAND THEIR RIGHTS.

Russian Authors Participate in Agitation for Constitution.

London, Dec. 5.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg to a news agency says: "A remarkable meeting of 700 persons, the cream of the Russian intelligent classes, was held here Saturday night. Korolenko, a prominent Russian novelist, presided, and among those in attendance were Maxim Gorki, in his customary peasant's attire; Somovsky, the historian; Mme. Gallina, the poetess; Mme. Shapla, the novelist, and other writers.

Numerous resolutions were adopted demanding constitutional reforms. Freedom of speech, a parliament, etc. A poem was read denouncing the bureaucracy for carrying on an unjust war in Manchuria. Many ladies were in tears when Gorki, in a scene of enthusiasm, kissed one of the orators. The meeting closed at 3 o'clock in the morning amid shouts of "down with the autocracy."

CORPSE UNDER THE ICE.

Small Boy, Skating on Pond, Solves Tragic Mystery.

Lincoln, R. I., Dec. 5.—The body of Albert Holbrook, the wealthy manufacturer of Providence, who mysteriously disappeared from his home on Nov. 7, has been found by Bertram Jenks, who, while skating on Stump Hill pond, saw the body floating in the water under the ice. A hole was cut in the ice and the body recovered. There was nothing to indicate foul play.

Mr. Holbrook, who was the senior member of the firm of A. & C. W. Holbrook, manufacturers of cotton pickers, left his home late in the afternoon of Nov. 7, during the absence of his family. Since that time there had been no trace of him, although large rewards were offered. Mr. Holbrook had been a sufferer from nervous troubles. He was 59 years old and leaves a family.

ROOMERS HEAR GROANS.

Next Day Woman's Body Is Found Next Door.

New York, Dec. 5.—Kate Sheridan or Hammond was found dead in a furnished room in a West Twenty-eighth street house and occupants of an adjoining room say that they heard groans and noises of a quarrel and struggle coming from the room in which she was.

Joseph Hammond, who occupied the room with the woman, and is thought to be her husband, is under arrest. An autopsy has been ordered by the coroner, though he thinks that probably she died from natural causes.

MURDERED FOR MONEY.

West Virginian's Brains Beaten Out by Two Men With Iron Bar.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 5.—At Stone Cliff, two miles above Thurmond, Sam Miller and an accomplice, it is alleged, murdered George Dano by beating out his brains with an iron bar.

The two men then boarded a freight train and attempted to escape. Miller's accomplice was arrested and taken to jail at Milton but Miller is still at large. No motive for the killing has been established but it is said to have been robbery.

WOMAN SCREAMS FIRE.

Theater Audience Is Stampeded, but No One Is Injured.

New York, Dec. 5.—Panic seized an audience in the Gotham theater during a performance, when smoke from a bonfire outside blew into a window and a woman ran towards an exit shouting fire.

Women and children made up the greater part of the audience. Many of them at once took up the cry and there was a rush for the street. Attached to the theater tried in vain to quiet the excitement. Almost the entire audience left the theater, yet no one was injured.

Three Men Burned to Death.

Denton, Tex., Dec. 5.—Three persons were burned to death in a fire that destroyed a rooming house here. Albert Harris, of Bakerville, O., was one of the victims.

CONFLUENCE.

interesting Items From Somerset County's Hustling Town.

Confluence, Dec. 5.—Rev. J. A. Board filled the pulpit for Rev. Charlesworth, the regular minister, yesterday, and his sermon was very interesting.

William C. Begley, first deputy for Sheriff A. J. Coleman of Somerset county, is taking a rest at his home after a year of the hard kind of work. The Winter Era says that Deputy Sheriff Begley has discharged his duty in all cases with fidelity and fairness. He has been with Sheriff Coleman since he assumed office and he has always been an efficient and fearless officer. At the coming Republican primary Mr. Begley will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Sheriff of Somerset county and none will come before the voters of the county with a better record or better claims to the nomination than he.

Paxton Shipley was seen on our streets Saturday.

Quite a fine display of holiday goods is arriving, and the merchants are preparing to do a big Christmas business. The window displays are very attractive.

Mrs. Andy McNair, who has been quite ill for the past few months, is reported as being well now.

Norman Steiner was a business caller in town Saturday.

Walter Allen, a prosperous farmer of Henry Clay township, was a business caller in town today and incidentally left an order for The Courier.

Orville and Henry Oster were seen on our streets today.

Mrs. C. S. Yeomins and little daughter are visiting friends and relatives at Connelville and Uniontown.

There were several B. & O. engineers here last week taking hearings for the new yard track that they are going to put in. The large amount of transfer business done here makes the town quite a business center.

Ross Thomas of Thomasville was in town Saturday and placed an order for a car of stone and sewer pipe.

Mr. Zion church revivals are progressing finely with live converts.

The services are being carried on by Rev. Silvio of Lisbonburg.

John Matthew and N. P. Bowlin were callers at the River school on Thursday.

John Reiber is butchering his porkers today.

Mrs. L. N. Lininger of Castle Lininger returned home from an extended visit to Mountain Lake Park.

Mrs. Will Reiber is suffering from an attack of the grip.

The boys had better return the bolts taken from the gates of the residence of West Confluence people.

The team of Marshall Hileman of Addison township was in Confluence with a load of boards, who were returning to their homes.

Bessie Grier gave a taffy pulling to a few of her friends last evening.

Charles Brown, John Alexander, Elmer Grier, Becky Storer and Marie McClintock were present.

Bessie Grier was the guest of Mrs. Perkins of Hannestown Wednesday.

Geo. D. Shaw was in Connelville Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shipley were visiting Mrs. Shipley's parents the first of the week.

OHIOPILE.

Notes from the Little Mountain Resort Up the Yough.

Ohiopile Dec. 5.—William Thorpe was a business caller in town on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jackson left on No. 13 Saturday for Uniontown to spend a few days with relatives.

Mrs. Newman Boyd and Mrs. Irwin Bailey were Connelville shoppers Saturday. They returned on No. 16 last evening.

Reuben Horton of Salt Spring was a business caller in town Saturday.

Abner Skinner was transacting business in town Saturday.

Luce Wable of Sugar Loaf was a business caller in town Saturday.

Isiah Collins was a business caller in town Saturday.

Lash Hall of Sugar Loaf was calling in town Saturday.

Quite a bit of excitement was caused on Broadway Saturday afternoon when a horse belonging to Milton Bryner became scared by some boys shooting toy pistols. The animal ran several blocks through the most crowded parts of the street, before it was finally brought to a standstill.

Luther Close was a business caller in town Saturday.

John Homann of Salt Spring was shopping in our metropolis on Saturday.

James Lamby was a business caller in town Saturday.

Charles Williams of Lower Confluence was a business caller in town on Saturday.

Charles Holt, drayman for the firm of J. W. Holt and Sons, had quite a crank down on River avenue shortly before noon Saturday.

John Rowan was a business caller in town Saturday.

Mrs. Nora Wilton was shopping in our metropolis Saturday.

Albert Rush of Dryer Ridge was a business caller in town Saturday.

All the home news in The Daily Courier.

TRAIN ROBBERY PLOT.

Story of Witness Walters at the Squire's Hearing.

The story of the plot to rob No. 10 on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad on Thanksgiving eve was told at the hearing of Albert Hamm and Charles Zorn before Squire Wm. H. Day.

Elmer E. Walters, detailed substantially, the following story at the hearing. He said that several weeks ago he was approached by Hamm

who asked him to assist in the work of robbing No. 10 as a special train on Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Walters said that Hamm was supposed to do was to flag the train at a point designated and that he and his pals, three parties from Allegheny, Pa., would do the rest.

The idea as carried by Hamm, was to kill the engineer, fireman, and express messenger, board the car, roll out the safe and loot it open with wire cutters.

Hamm also showed Walters maps of the vicinity of the proposed holdup, what direction each was to take, and how and where the spoils of their proposed crime were to be divided.

Walters was aware that he would not be benefited in the holdup proceeds, and that he would be provided with a mask that would effectually conceal his identity and features, and that no one could possibly recognize him.

Everything was thought to be in readiness for "Thanksgiving night," but at the last moment the confederates from Allegheny City, and even all appearances, were "the alarm" members of the gang, failed to put in their appearance. The girls and masks Hamm told Walters, were preserved to the man Long at Allegheny, and when the trio failed to "show up" Hamm proposed to Walters to visit the city, stating that he could have the parties at the Hotel Henry in Pittsburgh in a period of thirty minutes after arriving in the city. The time was set for Wednesday evening of this week, and from that time Walters was waiting word from his pals.

Walters was released from the p. n. about the same time as Hamm, and that together they had conceived the idea of holding up and robbing this train, which as Hamm put it, was the only one that carried a safe. Hamm assured Walters that if he went into the deal he would not have to dig coal anymore, as there would be ample funds as a result of the holdup to make each one of the participants independently wealthy.

The next and last witness, outside of the officers, was Leroy Dornier, who, on last Sunday night, between the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock, while on his way to the station to forward press news, overheard a conversation between Hamm and Zorn that was of a decidedly incriminating nature.

Witness heard Hamm and Zorn rehearsing the manner in which the work was to be done; how the train was to be flagged by Walters, how others of the gang were to kill the engineer, fireman and express messenger, how the safe was to be rolled out, blown open and the contents divided. He also heard them say as to how the event was to take place upon a previous night, and how the thing had been planned.

Both Hamm and Zorn stoutly maintained their innocence of anything like the conspiracy mentioned.

The two men are in jail at Somerset and their trial will come up on Wednesday of next week.

"DIP" and "L"

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Seats now on sale at Colonial Theatre advance office. Both Phones.

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Tuesday, 6, December

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TOBE HOXIE

With the Author Actor MR. ERNEST LAMSON, In the Titular Role.

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Leave your orders with us. The preparations we are making in our Grocery and Meat Departments are very extensive. You can all be provided for, you will get the choicest goods in the market, you will have them furnished at the most reasonable, actually the lowest prices, and delivered to you homes. Everything in good time; no disappointments.

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State of Pennsylvania, county of Fayette, ss:
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That he is foreman of the press room of The Courier, a daily newspaper published in Conneltsville, Pa., and that the number of papers printed and circulated during the week ending Saturday, December 3, 1904, was as follows:

Nov. 23	3,507
Nov. 24	3,510
Nov. 25	3,503
Nov. 26	3,504
Nov. 27	3,504
Nov. 28	3,503
Nov. 29	3,503

And further sayeth not.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of December, 1904.
JOHN KURTZ, Notary Public.

MONDAY EVENING,
DECEMBER 5, 1904.

THE COUNTY INSTITUTE.

County Superintendent Carroll admits that Conneltsville is as much of an educational centre as Uniontown; that the Colonial theatre here is a more commodious meeting place than Uniontown affords, and is cheaper in price; that there is a demand for a meeting of the teachers in Conneltsville; that there is no reason why the institute should not be held here, and, inferentially, every reason why it should.

The County Superintendent does not touch upon the question of hotel rates, so vital to the interests of the teachers, many of whom are poorly paid at best. But the Organ of Education, the Palladium of Polite Literature, classical and grammatical Uniontown Standard, attempts to show, by quoting rates, that the hotels of Uniontown are willing to make large concessions to the teachers of the young idea. Unfortunately, the figures do not bear out the theory sought to be established by our esteemed contemporary. On the contrary, they prove with damning directness that the complaints of the teachers relative to excessive hotel rates are fully justified.

Conneltsville is going to have the next County Institute if the north end of the county has to enter into politics of electing a successor to County Superintendent Carroll.

THE ELKS MEMORIAL.

The Order of Elks may be open to criticism; so are some of the churches that profess the self-denying, all-giving, boundless-loving creed that the Son of God taught to a selfish, revengeful, cruel world two thousand years ago.

But it must be said in the favor of this fraternal order that it is fraternal; that it does not forget the memories of its members who have gone before, out into the Great Unknown, whence no wayfarer returns to gladden the world of literature with new books of travel.

The annual custom of the Elks, to hold memorial services in memory of its dead brethren, is a beautiful one, and it reflects no small credit upon the order.

UNION.

The promoters of Greenwood are progressive. They appreciate the fact that public schools are necessary to the advancement and growth of a community. Greenwood ought, however, to be a part of New Haven, and New Haven ought to be a part of Conneltsville. The advantages of consolidation are so many and so forcibly illustrated all around us that it is a matter of wonder that the people

across the river have not long since come to a perfect realization of the fact.

While there has, in many cases, been a violent outcry against consolidation in commercial, industrial and financial circles, yet it cannot be gainsaid that such consolidations have served to strengthen the interests so combined. The principle is as old as civilization. We find the proverb in Esop's Fables. "In union there is strength." Upon this immortal chunk of wisdom, our great nation was built. What was good enough for the nation, what made it great and glorious, ought to be good enough for New Haven and Greenwood.

It is hard to understand why Uniontown Councilmen should object to the use of the derailing switch within their corporate limits.

The German Reichstag threatens to legislate the department stores out of business, because they are alleged to impair the trade of the small retailers. William doesn't believe in any trusts but the Hohenzollern government trust.

It seems that 203-Metre Hill continues to be the meeting place of the Russians and the Japs.

President Roosevelt has declined to interfere in the Annapolis strike at Youngstown and Girard, O. He has probably discovered that he cannot undertake to settle all the labor disputes in the country.

Oklahoma demands statehood. These western communities may be wild and woolly, but they are always up to date.

The trolley company seem to think that the South Side people prefer to walk into town this winter; and the people certainly will do a great deal of walking, and much less paying, if the present inadequate service continues.

President Roosevelt has Congress on his hands, but it is a Congress that is in hearty accord with the President, and that's where it differs with Grover Cleveland's Congress.

Gas Magnate Addicks is condemned to produce something more substantial than mere illuminating vapor. Cold cash is assessed against him by the courts in connection with the Bay State Gas deals.

VANDERBILT.

Personal Chat From Dunbar Township's Big Village.
Vanderbilt, Dec. 5.—Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson, of Baltimore, were here Saturday attending the funeral of Bert Jordan.

William Thompson, formerly of this place, but now residing at Star Junction, was here Saturday greeting old time friends. Mr. Thompson is the fearless policeman of his home town, which position he has held for many years.

The teachers of Dunbar township held an institute in the Vanderbilt school hall last Saturday. A large crowd was in attendance all day, and the addresses of the speakers were well received. These institutes are a great benefit not only to the teacher but to the public at large. More of them should be held and those who have taken up the work of instructing the young should not fail to attend them.

William Schmitt, of New Haven, was in town Saturday evening calling on friends. He formerly resided here, but later went to New Haven where he has accepted a position in the machine shop.

Dawson Camp No. 1079, Modern Woodmen of America, which is located at Dawson, elected officers last Friday for the ensuing year.

The Royal Neighbors of America, which was recently organized in Dawson, will hold a meeting on next Thursday evening, December 8, in the opera house hall. Several ladies of East Liberty and vicinity have taken life insurance in this society. Miss Bertha Seese has taken up the work of this society as Deputy Supreme Oracle. The order is in a prosperous condition.

The Misses Sherrard of near this place were in New Haven the latter part of last week on a shopping expedition.

Mrs. Anthony King of Dawson was in Conneltsville Friday last and spent a few hours on a shopping tour.

Read The Daily Courier for both home and foreign news. This bright and newsy paper will only cost you 25 cents a month, delivered to your home by the carrier. Now is the time to send it to your friend for one year. It would make a valuable Christmas gift.

The funeral of Bert Jordan, who died suddenly last Wednesday evening at his home here, took place on Saturday afternoon from the Cumberland Presbyterian church of which he was a member. A large concourse of people gathered at the church, which was a mark of the high esteem in which the young man was held. All the members of the junior class of which he was member, were present and occupied chairs set apart for

them. The vacant chair was draped in mourning. The pastor, Rev. R. L. Price, delivered a touching address, referring to the life work of the young man. At times it was almost impossible for him to speak, for he felt said at the early departure of one of his promising members. The body was laid to rest in the Dickerson Run Union cemetery.

A man who had taken to much on, raised quite an excitement for a short time in front of the pool room last Saturday evening. It would have been a grand thing had an officer of the law happened along and placed him under arrest.

The meeting which had been in progress at the Church of Christ came to a close Sunday evening. Several persons made confession of faith and we trust the labor of the minister has not been in vain.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From All Parts of the Town.

S. F. Miller of Hecla is visiting friends in town.
You can get all of the latest books at H. B. Porter & Bro.

Mr. Grosman of Philadelphia, who has been the guest of friends in town for the past several days returned home this morning on B & O. train No. 6.

If you miss "The Triumph of An Empress" at the Colonial Theatre tonight you will miss one of the most beautiful plays of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Wright stepped off with friends in town Sunday on their way to Markleboro.

Office and school supplies at W. E. Tannhill & Bro.

Mrs. Calhoun and daughter Miss Bella, of Dunbar were visitors in town Saturday.

"The Triumph of an Empress" beautifully staged and costumed with Mildred Holland in the title role, at the Colonial tonight.

Mrs. James Clark of Uniontown was the guest of friends in town on Saturday.

The Citizens National Bank of Conneltsville, 128 North Pittsburg street, Markle building, will pay 2 per cent. on checking accounts and 4 per cent. on savings accounts. Your business is solicited.

Joseph Seison is ill at his home on West Main street.

Mildred Holland, Conneltsville's favorite actress, in the "Triumph of An Empress" at the Colonial Theatre tonight.

A Fine Piano Display.
Will be held at the Wright-Metzer store commencing Tuesday, December 6. Don't miss the opportunity to get acquainted with the famous Solmer, Beaudet, Landerman and the wonderful Cecilian self-playing piano. Free concerts every afternoon and evening. Don't miss it. All are welcome.

Ideals
Have you seen "Madame."

To Let.
TO LET—FOUR-ROOM HOUSE, GAS and water, \$12 per month. Inquire of J. C. LYTLE, 122 W. Main street.

TO LET—THREE ROOM HOUSE COR. East Main street and Conneltsville street. For particulars call up 341, ring 2. Bell Phone.

Wanted.
WANTED—A FIRST CLASS MEAT CUTTER, good with party. Apply at once at the RELIABLE MEAT MARKET, North Pittsburg street.

For Rent.
FOR RENT—ONE 5-ROOM HOUSE, with gas, electric light and all modern conveniences. Inquire of H. C. HAYS, care Smith House.

FOR RENT—HOUSE WITH FURNISHINGS, on East 21st street, in good condition. Call Bell Phone 341, ring 2.

FOR RENT—TWO HOUSES ON SEVENTH street, New Haven, Pa. Gas and water. Apply to J. E. JOHNSON, corner Seventh and Main streets, New Haven.

Proposals for Immediate Removal.
THE COLONIAL THEATRE OFFERS bids for the purchase of and immediate removal of the building occupying the southeast corner of Main and Pittsburg streets, the site of the new bank building. All proposals to be sent to L. P. ROTH, President Colonial National Bank, Conneltsville, Pa.

FOR SALE!

11 room boarding house close to Tin Mill, only one out there. The mill starting up. Splendid chance. \$2,300; \$300 down, balance \$27.00 per month. Worth \$3,500.

JOS. A. MASON,
Corner Main and Arch Streets,
CONNELLSVILLE, PENN'A.
Sri-State Phone 293.

FOR SALE.

House of 8 large rooms and bath, centrally located and suitable for boarding house. Price \$2,500. Terms, \$1,000 down and balance in monthly payments.

New 6-room house in Snyder's town. Price, \$1,400. One-half cash and time on balance.

House of 6 rooms, nicely located on South Side. Price, \$2,500. Good 6-room house in New Haven on a desirable street, fruit trees and stable on lot. Price, \$2,500.

S. M. Hutchinson,
Turner Building, Conneltsville.

THIS STORE WILL BE OPEN
EVENINGS UNTIL AFTER CHRIST-
MAS.

DUNN'S CASH STORES

129, 131, 133 N. PITTSBURG STREET,
CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Western Penna.—Fair Monday and Tuesday, except snow flurries along the lake; fresh westerly winds.

TO THE
MEN FOLKS

Because this is a woman's store and because Christmas is coming, we want to talk to you. Every woman in this vicinity would like to have her Christmas present come from this store—there is an added value to it when it does, for the women have a habit of saying, "when I want a good dress I go to Dunn's."

More than probable you have heard this remark, and if you have stopped to think you have concluded they have a good reason for making this remark. Now for this very reason we want you to come in and let us help you with your choosing. Let's do even better than we did last year, need not cost any more money, maybe less, but if you let us help you now, instead of waiting until the last moment, you will get the kind of a gift that you want to give. You know how a man usually does, wait until the last moment, then take anything that is thrust at him. Don't you do that, why, come in now, let us tell you how many yards you will need for the dress or waist. Let us help you decide on the color and the material and the proper trimmings. Then you can be satisfied that you have chosen a gift that will be appreciated far more than its mere money value. Besides this list we have many other things here to show you that are appreciated for gifts. Come in and find out how welcome a man is in this dry goods store.

HE

who selects a suit from one of our present stock of fine fabrics will be gratified at the

STYLISH EFFECT

of the garment. We give wonderful fine materials and an exceedingly large stock to choose from. Suits for all occasions stylishly made.

H. J. BOSLETT,
Bell Phone 388, 133 West Main Street,
Connellsville, Pa.

E. E. MORRIS, G. D. ARMSTRONG,
133 West Main Street,
Connellsville, Pa.

MORRIS & CO.,
UNDERTAKERS,
242 North Pittsburg Street,
Connellsville, Pa. Opp. Opera House.
Tel. 147.

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Night calls answered at the Office.

EXERCISE
Adds to Your Health and Improves Your Looks.

To secure both you need any exercising outfit. We have a full line of boxing gloves, striking bags, dumb bells, Indian clubs, foot balls, fencing foils, guns and hunting outfits.

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THE LICENSED
GARRAGE MAN,
Residence 304 Connel Avenue,
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CARPET LAYING.
Old and new carpets laid. Curtains and shades hung on short notice.

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P. O. Box 141, NEW HAVEN, PA.
Formerly with L. Aaron and E. Dunn

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and Embalmer.
Store, Bell Phone 153; Tri-State,
245; residence, Bell Phone, 150; Tri-
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E. E. ROSS
205 Peach St., one door above Balti-
more House, Conneltsville, Pa.
NEW AND SECOND-HAND GOODS
Bought and sold on small margin
Watch Cleaning, 50c. Watch Springs, 50c

CHRYSANTHEMUMS
\$1.25 a dozen at
Shomer's, 120 E. Fairview Ave.
Connellsville, Pa. (Both Phones)
Cranberry 50c doz. Boxes 75c doz.
25 per cent discount on funeral work

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Monday, Dec. 5, 1904.

B & B.
christmas
—will soon be here.
Season of Gift buy-
ing now at its height.

All are interested
in making the amount
purposed for Gifts to
go as far as possible

—and to have what-
ever's bought repre-
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With those inten-
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showing—the most
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Special assortments Men's and
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HUGE RAILWAY TRUST

Details of Alleged Plan to Control All American Lines.

EIGHT BILLIONS THE CAPITAL.

Chicago Newspaper Says Gigantic Merger Project is Headed by Standard Oil Interests—Includes Over 160,000 Miles.

Details are being worked out rapidly for the formation of a gigantic railroad trust, says the Chicago Tribune, beside which all the other great trusts have been organized in the United States will divide into insignificance. A dozen eastern financiers, headed by the Standard Oil interests, with their unlimited wealth, expect to control the entire railroad system in the country and prevent competition among the various roads. The plan is to divide the railroads of the country into a few groups or systems, each one of which is to own a substantial interest in the stocks and securities of every other big group or system and all to have representation on each other's board of directors.

The dozen financiers all represented on the boards of the various roads will control from present appearances over 100,000 miles of railroads, including every important trunk line in the country, representing a capitalization of about \$8,000,000,000 in stocks and bonds.

They will see to it that the roads are managed as economically as possible and the rates kept up to as high a figure as the traffic will bear in order to secure all the revenue necessary to pay good dividends on the enormous capitalization.

The recouping of systems, which has been going on for some time, has not yet been completed, but from present indications the western roads will be divided into about six systems, the eastern into three or four, with the southern and New England lines forming a separate system each. The western systems, or groups, probably will be as follows:

	Stocks	Bonds	Debt
Harriman, including I. C.	2,250,000,000	1,500,000,000	1,500,000,000
Gould, including Wabash	1,400,000,000	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000
Hill, including Burlington	1,300,000,000	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000
Rockefeller, including Santa Fe and Atchafalaya	1,200,000,000	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000
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The eastern systems probably will be as follows:

	Stocks	Bonds	Debt
Vanderbilt	1,500,000,000	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000
Erbe, Peru, Marquette, C. & D.	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000
H. and D.	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000
Total	4,500,000,000	3,000,000,000	3,000,000,000

The southern railroads are all controlled by J. P. Morgan except the Illinois Central, which is classed with the Harriman system. The mileage of Morgan's southern railway system is 18,979, with a capitalization of \$297,500,000.

The article, after detailing the manner in which Gould and Harriman have pushed their lines east and west and the control they exercise in transcontinental roads, concludes as follows:

Nearly all the changes thus far made in the regrouping of the western and eastern railroad systems suggest Standard Oil control of railroads to an extent that no other single interest has ever thought of undertaking before.

Changes in the directorates of the various trunk railroads are being watched with great interest because it is believed they foreshadow the complete ascendancy of the Standard Oil interests in most of the important railroad systems of the country and the elimination to a great extent of the power heretofore wielded by J. Pierpont Morgan. Within the last two or three years the Rockefeller interests have obtained a foothold in the New York Central, New Haven and Hartford, Chicago and Northwestern and Union Pacific.

The Moore brothers in their Rock Island deals are said to be aided by the Rockefeller. The Standard Oil interests control the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul and Missouri, Kansas and Texas. They are heavy in Gould's Missouri Pacific and Wabash. They are also said to have acquired lately 240,000 shares of Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe stock from Kuhn, Loeb & Co. The Rockefeller interests have an intention of controlling the railroads of the United States. They assert it is their desire merely to have a voice in the management of the roads and thus prevent any undue preferences being given to their competitors in the oil business.

Russian Writers' School.
A school for journalists has been opened in Moscow, of all places—in the city where the press is most under the control of the police, says the New York World. The originator is Professor L. Vladimirov, who, assisted by several wealthy friends, has rented extensive premises and begun a course of lectures in "theoretical and practical journalism." He has obtained assistance from colleagues in the University of Moscow, and among the subjects to be treated are "The Ethics of Journalism," "History of Russian Literature," "History of Newspapers and Journalism," "History of Art," "Short-hand," "General History of European Literature" and "International Law." Students will be instructed with practical work and will try to publish their own journal. The students will attend law courses.



REAR ADMIRAL J. A. WALKER.

Admiral Walker is executive head of the canal project and will be held morally responsible to Mr. Roosevelt and the American people for the digging of the great trench to connect the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

DEMANDS RECOGNITION.

Oklahoma's Growth Said to Justify Bestowal of Statehood.

Washington, Dec. 5.—"The flag of our republic will not be complete until on its field of blue is placed the rising star of Oklahoma," says the annual report of T. B. Ferguson, delegate to congress from Oklahoma. The report adds:

"With 700,000 people, \$540,000,000 worth of property, the major portion of our public expenses bestowed upon our schools, unprecedented advancement along all lines of enterprise, it seems that congress should give us the authority to exercise in full the rights of American citizens."

Speaking of the growth of the territory, the report says: "The immigration of Oklahoma during the past year has been quite heavy. Over a million and a half acres of public land has been taken up by the homesteader. This alone means an increase in population of from 40,000 to 50,000 people. The larger portion of the buyers of farm property were homeseekers from other states."

The total immigration is placed at nearly 100,000, made up of "people young and energetic, with some capital to invest, with education, with an appreciation of religious and social advantages, morally and physically equipped to become the best citizens of the future state of Oklahoma."

The increase in the assessment value of property in the territory is placed at \$6,474,601, and that of the bank deposits at \$18,334,313. Six hundred and eighty-nine miles of railroad were built in the territory during the year and "the only bonded indebtedness ever incurred by the territory (\$49,000) has been paid off with accrued interest some 20 years before it was due."

ADDICKS WILL SETTLE.

Receiver of Bay State Gas Gains Substantial Victory.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 5.—The terms of the settlement of the case of George Wharton Pepper, receiver of the Bay State Gas company, against J. Edward Addicks and other officers of the company for an account of stock issued by them, are learned here from an authoritative source. According to the terms of settlement Mr. Addicks and the directors of the company returned to Receiver Pepper 1,021,250 shares of the 1,500,000 shares, with a par value of \$75,000,000, which were alleged to have been issued unlawfully. For the remaining 478,750 shares the defendants are to pay the receiver \$48,254.52, which is the amount realized by the defendants from the sale of the stock in the open market. This payment in 60 days is secured to the receiver by a bond of Mr. Addicks and his wife, and also a bond given by Senator Allen, Newell, Ball, James G. Shaw and Daniel J. Lawton, Jr.

DESTROYERS AT WORK.

World's Fair Buildings Sold to Wrecking Company.

St. Louis, Dec. 5.—A contract for the sale of the 11 big exhibit palaces, stock barns, festival hall, the coliseum of states, pavilions, aerodrome, bank, intramural railway, hospital, press building, police and fire stations with other world's fair structures that cost \$15,000,000, will be signed this week with a Chicago wrecking company for \$385,000.

Everything except the rolling stock of the intramural, which has been sold separately and the state, foreign and pike buildings are included in the deal.

The work of demolition will it is stated, begin Tuesday with the wrecking of the live stock barns and from the extreme southwest corner of the exposition wreckers will sweep north-eastward. After the live stock barns and pavilions, the horticulture building will be razed, then the agricultural building and other exhibit palaces will follow in turn as quickly as they can be made vacant by exhibitors.

KEIFER HAS MISSION.

Thinks Restriction of Franchise in South Should Be Stopped.

Columbus, O., Dec. 5.—General J. Warren Keifer, former speaker of the Ohio house of representatives, who has been elected to congress from the Seventh Ohio district, has issued a statement in which he announces his mission is to secure legislation to prevent the disfranchisement of voters in the south. General Keifer has made an exhaustive study of the subject and in his statement he gives an outline of what he expects to accomplish. He says:

"All I contend for is equal voting power in all the states in electing members of the house of representatives and in electing a president of the United States. This equality of rights should be conceded and no principle of generosity to the south requires any surrender of a fundamental principle of our form of government. With election laws in substantial accord in all states, and with the natural tendency to prevent restriction of the elective franchise, population, without regard to race, is a fair rule for determining equal representation."

"A just rule of representation should be found and great care should be taken to avoid the possibility of doing injustice to any state and whatever rule is adopted must be applied north as well as south."

FUGITIVE SURRENDERS.

Answers Embarrassment Charge After Going Around the World.

Portsmouth, N. H., Dec. 5.—William J. Mendum of Winchester, Mass., the trustee of the estate of his father, the late Charles J. Mendum of this city, surrendered himself to the Rockingham county authorities to answer a charge of embezzlement of \$25,000 from his father's estate. Mendum had been a fugitive for more than a year.

Two sisters, Mrs. William Kerr Shea of Philadelphia and Mrs. Anna May Locke of Rosemont, Pa., were, like him, beneficiaries under the father's will. The sisters last fall brought action for an accounting of Mendum's trusteeship and soon afterward he disappeared.

Friday he arrived in New York from London, after having in his wanderings traveled around the world. Mendum, who was formerly a well-known business man, said that he had decided to give himself up, as he had experienced no peace of mind since leaving home. Once in London, he said, he attempted suicide, but was restrained.

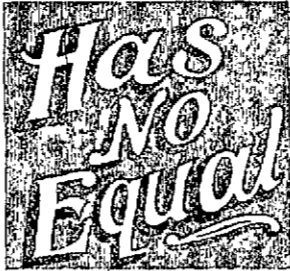
Fairbanks at the White House. Washington, Dec. 5.—Senator Fairbanks was at the White House last night in conference with the president.

Grain Elevator Burns. Houston, Tex., Dec. 5.—A large elevator of the South Texas Grain company burned, loss \$120,000.

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Cardigan

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CHAPTER XVIII.—Continued.

"It is past 3 in the morning," said Foxcroft, looking at his watch. "The British should have been here ere this if they were coming at all."

Mount threw his rifle into the hollow of his left arm and, tossing his horse's bridle to Foxcroft, walked toward Buckman's tavern, where in the lantern light a throng of men were standing.

I heard him greet them with a hearty "God save our country!" Then he disappeared in the crowd, but presently came striding back, rifle on shoulder, followed by an officer with a staff.

"The militia have been under arms since midnight," he said. "A messenger rode in ten minutes since with news that the road was clear and no British coming. We can get a post chaise here." He nodded toward the ostler, who stood swinging his lamp in one hand and his fife in the other.

As we threaded our path through the crowd of men and boys I noticed that all were armed with rifles or old time flocks and some even with ancient blunderbusses and bell muzzled matchlocks. They appeared to be a respectable company, mostly honest-looking fellows from the village, clad in plain homespun. A few wore the militia uniform. One or two officers were dressed in the full uniform of the Third Suffolk regiment.

A servant, wearing a pistol in his belt, brought us bread and hot stib about in a great tin bowl. This dry fare we washed with ale, Silver Heels tasting a glass of madeira to warm her chilled body.

It was a silent, thoughtful repast. Mount, sitting close beside the Weasel, urged the old man to eat, and he did so, with dazed eyes fixed on space.

One thing I began to notice—he no longer watched Silver Heels with that humble, devoted, hanging-on air of a guardian hound. He seemed to be aware of her presence at all. Once only he spoke, asking what had become of his rifle, and Mount, eager and hopeful, brought his own rifle to the stricken man. But the Weasel had already forgotten what he had asked for, and he gazed at the weapon listlessly, his hands folded before him on the cloth.

Presently Foxcroft went to the stables to see that our post chaise was well provisioned for the journey, and Mount led Renard away to watch the feed bags filled for our horses' provender.

Silver Heels, still wrapped in my riding cloak, laid her slim hand on my arm, and we walked together to the tavern porch.

The road from Boston divides in front of the meeting house, forming two sides of a grassy triangle, on the base of which stands the meeting house, facing down the Boston road. Near this village green a few armed men still lingered in the faint light of dawn, conversing in low voices and glancing often down the deserted Boston road.

Faintly came the far cry through the misty chill: "The British are coming! The British are coming!"

At that same moment our post chaise lumbered around the corner of the tavern yard and drew up before us. Mount, acting as postboy and Foxcroft and the Weasel riding together in the rear.

Mount apprehended the situation at a glance. He motioned me to place Silver Heels in the chaise, which I did, with my eyes still fixed on the foggy Boston road.

"Is it a false alarm?" inquired Foxcroft anxiously as a few of the militia came running past our chaise. "Ho, Harrington! Hey, Bob Monroe! Is it true they are coming, lads?"

Harrington and Monroe, whom I had met in Boston at the Wild Goose, waved their arms to us and called out that it was doubtless true.

"Which way?" cried Foxcroft, standing up in his stirrups.

But the militia and minutemen ran out without answering and joined the line which was slowly forming on the green, while an old Louisiana drum rolled, vibrating sonorously, and the fife's shrill treble pierced the air.

"Cardigan, which way are they coming?" cried Foxcroft, still standing up in his stirrups. "They say there are redcoats behind us and more in front of us!"

"Do those ragged rascals mean to face a British army?" exclaimed Mount.

"Turn your horses, Jack!" I said, holding Warlock by the head. "Turn back toward Concord!"

"There's redcoats on the Concord road!" cried a woman, running out of a house close by. I saw her hurry across to the village green, carrying a sack of home-molded bullets.

I lunged myself astride Warlock, wheeled the restive horse and ranged up alongside Mount.

"Can we not take the Bedford road?" I asked anxiously.

"They say the British are betwixt us and the west," replied Mount. His eyes had begun to burn with a steady, fierce light, he set aside the off horse, cocking and uncocking his rifle.

superbly mounted. The pale light glimmered on his silver gorget; the gold on his sleeves and hat sparkled. Straight on his heels marched the British infantry, moving walls of scarlet topped with shining steel, rank after rank, in magnificent alignment.

"Halt!" cried a far voice. The red ranks stood as one man. An officer galloped alongside of the motionless lines and, leaning forward in his saddle, shouted to the disordered group of farmers, "Stop that drum!"

"Fall in! Fall in!" roared the captain of the militia. The old Louisiana drum thundered louder yet.

"Prime! Load!" cried the British officers, and the steady call was repeated from company to company and yet to companies unseen, far down the Boston road.

We had scarcely succeeded in reaching the corner of the yard, and the body of the chaise was now safe from bullets, when a British major galloped into the green, motioning violently to the militia with his drawn sword.

"Disperse! Disperse!" he called out angrily.

"Stand your ground!" roared the militia captain. "Don't fire unless fired upon! But if they mean to have a war, let it begin here!"

"Disperse!" shouted the British major. "Lay down your arms! Why don't you lay down your arms and disperse?"

A shot cut him short. His horse gave a great bound, backed, leaped out with both hind feet, then reared in agony.

"They've shot his horse!" cried Foxcroft.

"This his own men, then," broke in Mount. "I marked the smoke."

"Disperse!" bellowed the maddened officer, dragging his horse to a standstill. "Disperse, ye rascals!"

Behind a stone wall a farmer rose and presented his flocks, but the piece dashed in the pan. A shot rang out, but I could not see who fired.

Far down the Boston road the solid front of a second British column appeared.

Already some of the minutemen were quitting the single disordered rank on the green, which still wavered, facing the regulars, but their captain continued in front of his men and the drummer still drummed his hoarse challenge.

Then a British officer fired his pistol from the saddle, and before any one could move or lift a finger a bright sheet of flame gridded the British front, and the deafening roar of musketry shook the earth.

I galloped to the chaise and jerked the horses back, then wheeled them westward toward Bedford, where the remnants of the militia were suddenly falling back, firing across at the British, now marching on past the meeting house up the Concord road.

"No! No!" cried Foxcroft. "We cannot risk it! Stay where you are!"

"Look at the Weasel!" muttered Mount, jerking my arm as my horse ranged up beside his.

The Weasel was hastily climbing out of his saddle, rifle in hand.

"Cade!" quivered Mount. "Cade, old friend, what are you doing?"

"Come!" cried the Weasel briskly. "Can't you see the redskins?"

"Redcoats! Redcoats!" cried Mount anxiously. "Where are you going, Cade? Come back! Come back! They can't hit us here! Redcoats, Cade, not redskins!"

"They be all one to me!" replied the Weasel briskly, scuttling away to cover under a tuft of hazel.

"Bang!" went the Weasel's long rifle. A redecoated soldier on the Concord road dropped.

"He's done it! God help us!" groaned Foxcroft.

"Hold those horses!" said Mount desperately. I seized the leaders. Mount slipped from his saddle to the ground and ran out to the long dead grass behind the meeting house. I could see him catch the Weasel by the arm and attempt to draw him back by the hand, but the mad little creature clung obstinately to his patch of hazel.

As Mount turned I saw the entire British column marching swiftly up the Concord road, a small flanking party thrown out on the right. The Weasel also saw the troops and made haste to level his rifle again, but Mount fell upon him and dragged him down into the marsh grass.

From the Bedford road our militia fired slowly across at the fast vanishing troops on the Concord road. The British flanking party returned the fire, but the main column paid no heed to the shots and pressed on in silence.

Both the Weasel and Mount were now deliberately being at the flanking party, which had halted on a bit of plowed ground and seemed to be undecided whether to continue their march or return and punish the two foolhardy riflemen whose bullets had already knocked one big soldier flat on his back across the fresh furrows.

All at once six redecoated soldiers started running toward Jack Mount and the Weasel. I shouted to warn the infuriated men. Silver Heels caught my arm.

"I cannot leave them there!" I stammered. "I must go to them!"

"Foxcroft will guard me!" she murmured. "Go to them, dearest!"

"Foxcroft, hold these horses!" I cried, slipping Warlock's bridle to him and slipping out of my saddle.

Rifle a-trail, I ran across the road, leaped the fence and plunged into the low bushes. Over the tops of the bushes I could see the soldiers coming toward us, muskets half raised, scanning the cover for the game they meant to bag, thrusting their bayonets into bushes, bending the long grass with their gunstocks to dash the skulking quarry for a snap shot.

Without warning, Mount rose, then sank to the ground as a volley rattled out, and instantly we three ran forward, bent double. In a moment more I sprang up from the swamp grass beside a soldier and knocked him flat with a blow from my rifle stock.

Mount shot at another and missed him, but the fellow promptly threw down his musket, yelling lustily for quarter.

The four remaining soldiers attempted to load, but the Weasel tripped up one, with a cartridge half bitten in his mouth, and the other three were chased and caught by some Acton militia.

When the Acton men returned with their prisoners the soldier whom I had struck was sitting up in the swamp grass, rubbing his powdered head and staring wildly at his swatting and anxious commander.

"That's the fellow who murdered Harrington!" said one of the militia and drew up his rifle with a jerk.

"Use these prisoners well or I'll knock your head off!" roared Mount, striking up the rifle.

An officer of minutemen came up. His eyes were red, as though he had been weeping.

"They butchered his brother behind the red barn yonder," whispered a lean yokel beside me. "He'll hang 'em, that's what he'll do."

"You will treat them humanely?" I asked as the officer passed me.

He gave me a blank glance. The tears again had filled his eyes.

"Certainly," he said shortly. "I am not a butcher."

I gave him the officer's salute. He returned it absently and walked on, with drawn sword and head sunk on his tarnished brass gorget.

A restless, silent crowd had gathered at Buckman's tavern, where two dead minutemen lay on the porch, stiffening in their blood.

I ran toward the post chaise, rifle on shoulder.

The women and children of Lexington were gathered around it. I saw a glance that Silver Heels had given her seat to a frightened old woman and that other women were thrusting their children into the vehicle, imploring Mount and Foxcroft to save them from the British.

"Michael," said Silver Heels, "if the British are at Concord, we are quite cut off, are we not?"

I did not answer. Mount turned a grave, intelligent eye on me. Foxcroft came up, wiping the mud and sweat from his eyes.

A loud voice bellowed from the tavern. "Women here for the bullet molds! Get your women to the tavern!"

Silver Heels caught my hand. "You see a maid may not stand idle in Lexington!" she said, with a breathless smile.

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The Marriage Question

Some Reasons Why It Is a Thorny One

"THANK you, why get married?" remarked the bachelor. "It only means a double expense, the wedding and the divorce."

Please do not think after this remark that any woman had been so unkind-like as to propose to the bachelor. His remark only meant that he had had a good dinner and wanted to start a gentle argument.

"Oh, I don't know!" said his hostess, who rather had designs on the bache-



"SITTING AT THE HEARTSTONE."

lor himself. "Lots of people are enjoying real old fashioned marriages even in these days."

"Old fashioned marriages!" chuckled the bachelor. "Why, my dear child, they were as torn by internal discussions then as they are now. The only thing was they had to grin and bear things because divorced people were not in the swim."

"Oh, well, nearly all the trouble arises from the man's wanting to have his way."

"I like that. Why shouldn't he be in his own house?"

"But it isn't his house!"

"Argument No. 31 Well, at least if a man's house is not his own it is not his

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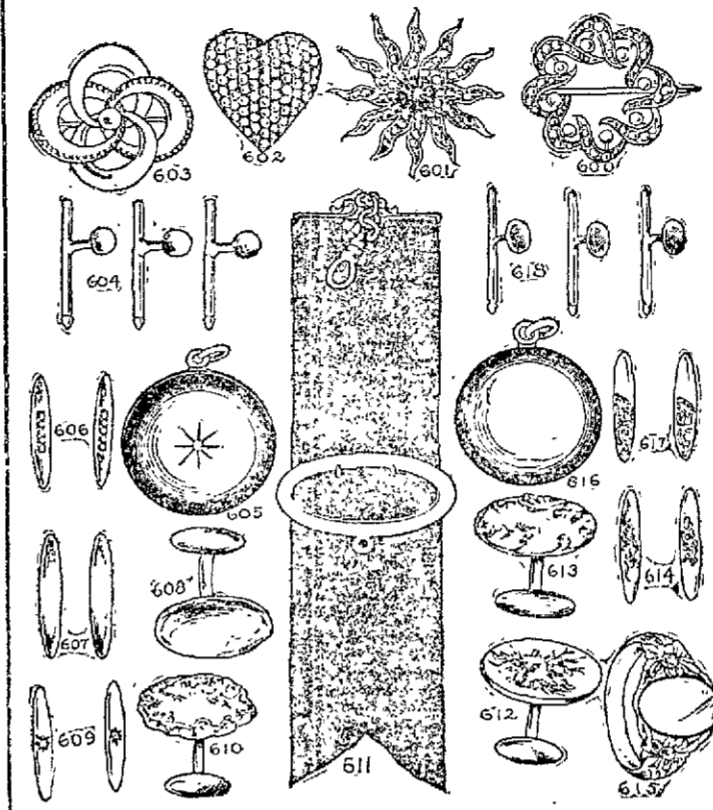
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- Fur of the Mink—\$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$11.00, \$12.00, \$13.00, \$14.00, \$15.00, \$16.00, \$17.00, \$18.00, \$19.00, \$20.00, \$21.00, \$22.00, \$23.00, \$24.00, \$25.00, \$26.00, \$27.00, \$28.00, \$29.00, \$30.00, \$31.00, \$32.00, \$33.00, \$34.00, \$35.00, \$36.00, \$37.00, \$38.00, \$39.00, \$40.00, \$41.00, \$42.00, \$43.00, \$44.00, \$45.00, \$46.00, \$47.00, \$48.00, \$49.00, \$50.00, \$51.00, \$52.00, \$53.00, \$54.00, \$55.00, \$56.00, \$57.00, \$58.00, \$59.00, \$60.00, \$61.00, \$62.00, \$63.00, \$64.00, \$65.00, \$66.00, \$67.00, \$68.00, \$69.00, \$70.00, \$71.00, \$72.00, \$73.00, \$74.00, \$75.00, \$76.00, \$77.00, \$78.00, \$79.00, \$80.00, \$81.00, \$82.00, \$83.00, \$84.00, \$85.00, \$86.00, \$87.00, \$88.00, \$89.00, \$90.00, \$91.00, \$92.00, \$93.00, \$94.00, \$95.00, \$96.00, \$97.00, \$98.00, \$99.00, \$100.00.

GIVE "HIM" A HOUSECOAT.

Some call them Smoking Jackets, some call them Lounging Coats, some call them House Coats, but whatever name they are known by they spell cozy comfort to the man who wears them. You couldn't please a man better than to present him with one of these. Every time he puts it on he must needs think of the donor.

But be sure to get the right size. An after-Christmas exchange takes away much of the pleasure of such a gift. If you can't give his measurements, send an old coat that fits him with the order. The very best time to buy it is now when there are most complete. We mention a few of the many styles which we have to show—

- \$5.00—A very popular price. Reversible cloths in dark green, fancy dark plaid at collar, cuffs and pockets. Also same plaid effect combined with such other colors as wine, brown, blue, golden-brown and blue reversible cloths, with fancy dark plaids at collar, cuffs and pockets.
- \$7.00, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00—Finer quality of reversible cloth used in these coats—all the stylish and most favored colors.
- \$12.00—Black and blue velvet, lapels lined with dull silk, excellent velvet lining. These smoking jackets are in the curved shape.
- \$15.00, \$18.00 and up to \$25.00—Smoking Jackets of the finest materials chosen with white, blue and red silk figures. These are the finest cloth smoking jackets made.
- \$25.00—Smoking Jackets of silk velvet with red, white and blue figures, silk-lined and silk-faced. Tuxedo style. This is the most elegant example of all the house coats.

Handkerchiefs.

What would Christmas be without handkerchiefs? And they can be ordered by mail with so much satisfaction.

- At 12c Each. Women's All Linen Plain Hemstitched, in 4 and 12-inch hems. Men's All Linen Hemstitched, in 4 and 12-inch hems.
- At 12c Each. Women's Sheer Linen Hand Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, also unadorned, embroidered in various designs. Women's Plain Handkerchiefs in Sheer and Heavy Linen.
- At 25c Each. Women's All Linen, Sheer quality, Hand Embroidered Initials in plain Initials and fancy medallions with Initials. Women's All Linen Embroidered, Hemstitched and Lace Edge in various designs. Men's All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, in plain script, old English and fancy block letters.
- At 35c Each. Women's Sheer Thistle Lawn Handkerchiefs with fancy corded borders and Initials.
- At 50c Each. Women's Sheer French Linen Handkerchiefs, hand hemstitched and hand embroidered medallions edged with Armenian lace. Men's French Linen hand hemstitched and hand embroidered block letter. Women's embroidered, hemstitched and lace edged handkerchiefs. Lace trimmed handkerchiefs, 25c to \$35. Real lace handkerchiefs, \$1.25 to \$75.

On all purchases of \$5 or more, whether through our Mail Order Department, or in person, we prepay express, postal, and freight charges to any point in the United States, East of the Mississippi river.

NEW YORK FASHIONS

Pattern For Lady's French Dressing Sack Designed by Martha Dean

One of the models which have many admirers and are more generally becoming than the loose dressing sack one sees every day is shown here in figured lawn, edged with white bands. This is one design that never grows old, and one need not wonder why after one has once worn this particular style. The front is slightly double breasted, and a pretty shaped collar gives charm to the neck and shoulders. The back is fitted, and the sleeve may be either flowing or bishop style. Lawn, challie, silk or any of the lightweight stuffs is a satisfactory material for such a dressing sack.

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Sizes, 28, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inches bust measure.

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THE NEWS OF DUNBAR.

Good Weather Has Greatly Helped Building Operations This Fall.

A CASE BEFORE SQUIRE COTTON

Bright Local and Personal Chat and Brief Paragraphs Picked Up by The Courier's Correspondent in the Furnace Town.

Dunbar, Dec. 5.—The foundation for the large brick business block being erected by J. M. Burbanck is almost completed and ready for the carpenters and bricklayers. The new building will be set on two large concrete abutments, and a stone wall that runs along Connellsville street. The dry fall has been greatly in favor of the contractor in erecting the abutments as he has had almost a dry creek bed to work in. There was little more water running in the creek than was necessary to mix the concrete with. The new building will add much to the appearance and the value of the town. The store rooms have all been engaged and the flats as well are all spoken for. The location of the building will make it one of the best business stands in town and those who have been fortunate enough to secure rooms in the building will no doubt reap the benefits.

The following letter written by a little fellow only 6 years of age, who appears to have the impression upon his mind that his Christmas presents come from the North Pole is at least not going to be forgotten if he can help it. The letter follows:

Dunbar, Dec. 1.
Dear Santa Claus, North Pole: I want you to fetch me a pair of skates and a pair of boots. Margaret wants a dress and a pair of skirts and boots. I will close for this time. She loves a pair of skates. Good bye, Harry.

"Snultz" Foltz, who drives the delivery wagon for S. A. Davidson met with an accident last Friday evening while delivering goods in the vicinity of Pechin. The wagon was upset and the horse was thrown down. Luckily the animal was not injured, neither was the wagon save only a little damage being done to the top of the wagon. It being a covered wagon.

A peculiar case was heard before Squire Cotton last Friday which after being argued at some length on both sides was compromised. It appears that a foreigner by the name of Vincenti Morallito had purchased from a man some goods that later appeared not to be his. When the rightful owner called for the goods Morallito refused to refund the goods and the suit then followed.

Two special trains passed east over the F. M. & P. last Saturday and made an inspection of the road along the line. One of the trains stopped at this place and made an inspection of the station property. The other train did not stop here.

D. A. Wortman of Pittsburg was transacting some important business in our town recently.

C. Vago of New York was a Dunbar caller Saturday morning.

Z. B. Springer, who has been kept very busy here during the past summer and fall drilling wells, has moved his machine to the Miss Sadie Reiner property on Railroad street, where he is now engaged in putting down a well, the old one having gone dry during the early summer.

The Dunbar School Board will meet next night to pay the teachers for the past month's work. There is also other business of a minor nature that will be settled.

George Patterson has accepted a position as deliveryman for Geo. H. Swearingen. Mr. Patterson has been quarreled at this place and it quite well acquainted with all the people he may come in contact with; therefore, he should make a very efficient young man for the position.

Saturday was pay day for the men employed at the Cambria Steel Company at this place.

W. A. Blythe has been in Allegheny for the past few days, he being called there by the serious illness of his sister, who is suffering with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kaufman of Uniontown has been visiting John D. Miller and family for the past few days.

Mr. Shelling, collector for the Fayette County Gas Company, was a business caller from Connellsville Saturday.

Samuel Koen of Pittsburg representative for the National Portrait Company, and who has made this his headquarters for the past summer and fall, has gone to Connellsville, where he will stop for some time.

Although the football season is over the younger generation here are still playing at the game among themselves. Last Saturday a team made of players from Speer's Hill and team from the bottom section of town went out to the ball park and a battle for a while. The Speer's Hill team put out the bottom boys, the score being 15 to 0. Connell and Wagner did the star playing.

Thomas Ryan and F. P. Mars, both of Connellsville, were calling on friends in Dunbar recently.

The funeral of Mrs. Nora Slaven, who died last Thursday morning, occurred Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

A large number of friends of the deceased and her family gathered and accompanied the remains to their final resting place at the St. Aloysius Cemetery.

The Postal Telegraph Company, whose line passes by here along the Connellsville and Uniontown road, which is about one mile west of here, had a gang of linemen at work on the line during the past few days. During their stay here they stopped at the Hotel Central.

The men employed at the Pope Cement & Brick Company's stone quarries received their pay on Saturday.

MOSBY'S PRISONERS.

Treasurer R. A. McClain Has a Story of Guerilla's Cruelty.
County Treasurer Richard A. McClain of Uniontown has taken an interest in the discussion regarding the charges and denials of inhuman treatment of Col. John S. Mosby's prisoners. McClain was in the Civil war, where he lost an arm. While in a Pittsburgh hospital suffering from the resultant shock he says he met another Union soldier who said that he was one of the five soldiers who were captured by Col. Mosby's forces in Virginia. They were given their choice of death by hanging or shooting, three of them choosing the former method and two the latter. He was one of the latter, and when the muzzle of a weapon was placed against his forehead by one of Mosby's soldiers, he dodged, the bullet entering below the eye and passing out under the other. He fell to the ground senseless and was left for dead. Later a woman who had witnessed the shooting, carried him to her home and nursed him back to life, after which he went to the Pittsburgh hospital, where he met Mr. McClain.

Mr. McClain says that he knows as a fact that this was the injury from which the man was suffering in the hospital and knows of no reason why he should have prevaricated about the matter.

WATER COMES HIGH.

Selling at Everson Today for Ten Cents a Bucket.

Scotchdale this morning is on the verge of a serious water famine. The water is furnished the town by the Citizens Water Company of that place and it will be remembered that their reservoir in Bullskin township burst during the latter part of July and it was not repaired in time to get a sufficient amount of water to be of any use at this time.

There is only water in the lowest parts of the town, and the higher sections are entirely without the company's service. Many of the citizens are cleaning out old wells that have not been used since the water company came into the borough. This is the most serious water famine that has struck the town for a number of years, and the prospects for relief are very slim at present.

At Everson this afternoon water is selling at ten cents a bucket.

TROTTER SCHOOLS.

Principal Johns Makes His Report for Third Month.

The report of the Trotter public schools for the third month has been given out by the principal, W. H. Johns. The month ended on November 29. The report in detail is as follows: The first column denoting the enrollment, the second the average attendance and the third the percentage of attendance.

Room No. 1, Miss McFarland, 47 50 91
Room No. 2, Miss Tulley, 41 52 93
Room No. 3, Miss Hunker, 44 29 98
Room No. 4, Miss Parkhill, 46 55 93
Room No. 5, Miss Ogilvie, 45 26 91
Room No. 6, Miss Bowden, 23 20 86
Room No. 7, W. H. Johns, 14 11 91

"Parents," Principal Johns says, "are earnestly invited to visit the schools. See that your children attend regularly. Your cooperation in every particular pertaining to the school interest is earnestly solicited."

ACTORS IN TROUBLE.

Got Into Racket in a North Pittsburgh Street Restaurant.

A theatrical company, the members of which had showed in Mt. Pleasant on Saturday evening, got mixed up in a little argument in the restaurant of Freeman & Jones on Sunday evening.

The company was passing through Connellsville for the next stand and had a short lay over here. Some of them were eating lunch when one of the actors accused a young man who was in the restaurant of winking at his wife. The accusation was resented and in the end the actor hit the young man with his umbrella.

The actor was later arrested and taken to the police station.

There he put up a \$10 forfeit and went on his way.

DAWSON SCHOOL REPORT.

The Enrollment Was Good for the Third Month.

Dawson, Dec. 5.—Principal J. M. Glass of the Dawson public schools has given out his report for the third month ending on November 30. The report in detail is as follows:

Room No. 1, Alpha French, teacher, enrollment 48, average attendance 41, percentage of attendance 91; Room No. 2, Jenna Smith, teacher, enrollment 39, average attendance 35, percentage 89; Room No. 3, M. Gene, teacher, enrollment 36, average attendance 25, average 29, percentage 89.

The total enrollment was 148, the average attendance 123 and the percentage of attendance 87.

Watch for the opening chapters of "D'RI and I."

TALKS ABOUT RUSSIA

Miss Holland's Interesting Chat on People of Japan's Opponent.

THEIR WAYS AND CUSTOMS.

The Country and Its People Are Very Much Different From What the Average American Thinks—In Some Things They Excel.

Charming and talented Miss Holland arrived today from Greensburg, where she appeared last Saturday evening in her success, "The Triumph of an Empress." She was dressed in a burnt onion brown dress with a beautiful blend of orange combined with a lace collar, evidently of French design. When seen by a representative of The Courier, she chatted about her visit to Russia, also the people of Russia, Germany and England. As Russia is today more in the public eye, she told a reporter of some of her experiences while there.

"When questioned as to how she liked the country, she smiled and said: 'I am very pleased to be able to say that outside of the United States I would be content if I could spend several years in Russia, for everything is very much different than the majority of the American people think.'"

"How do you find the people themselves?"

"They are different than what we are led to suppose, and speaking from my own personal experience while there, I can truthfully say that those whom I came in contact with were very congenial, obliging and kind."

"You were fortunate in choosing the summer before last for your trip there, were you not?"

"Indeed I was. Had I gone there last summer, it might not have been so interesting, but I do not think it makes much difference in Russia proper, for I receive letters occasionally from my friends in St. Petersburg, also Moscow, who tell me that the people are only now realizing that a great struggle is going on in the far East and that is because they are requiring so many men to carry on the war."

"How do you think the war will end?"

"I do not think I am sufficiently versed to prophesy the end, still from indications, Japan should win. I think the Russians are in the wrong and I appreciate the many kindnesses that were bestowed upon me; still, I hope that the war will soon cease because the longer it progresses the more lives are lost, families are severed, husbands going to the front, many of whom will never return, thus leaving their families to eke out a pitiable existence. I am pleased to again return to Connellsville, for I feel that I have a number of very kind friends, and it is really a pleasure to 'call' on them as much socially as I can."

BRAD MILLER DEAD.

Was Former Well Known Resident of Broad Ford.

Bradford Miller, a former well known resident of the vicinity of Broad Ford, died this morning at 8:45 o'clock at his home at Reagantown. He had moved there some time ago. At Broad Ford Mr. Miller was for years a blacksmith. Cancer of the stomach was the cause of death. Deceased was 45 years old. He is survived by his wife and one daughter, Mrs. Emerson Hodges, of Alverton, Pa., and a brother, Lee Miller.

The body will be taken to the house of deceased's brother, Samuel Miller, near Broad Ford. The funeral services will be held at Hickory Square Church on Wednesday morning. Interment in Dickerson Run Cemetery.

JAMES MURPHY.

An Aged Resident of Perryopolis Is Dead.

James Murphy, one of the most prominent and oldest residents of Perryopolis, died Saturday morning. Death was caused by the infirmities of old age. The funeral services were conducted from his late home this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment at Perryopolis.

Deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy and was born in Perryopolis 81 years ago. He was an active and faithful member of the Presbyterian church in Perryopolis. All his life was spent in Perryopolis and he conducted a store there for a number of years.

One Juror Unexcused.

When the roll call of 'revere jurors for the first week was called in court this morning it showed, that one juror had been selected who was moved out of the county three hours excused and one was absent who is not excused.

W. A. Hogg Resolutions.

The resolutions of the Fayette County Bar Association will be read in court on next Monday.

CHRISTMAS MONTH IS HERE.

The Wright-Metzler Company's Store is Full and Overflowing.

The best buying time is to-day. Procrastination only means letting the choicest things go to others more prompt. It means crowding everything into the hurry days when everybody is flurried and nervous, when you must buy in a rush and we must serve you to hastily for our liking or yours. We'll both be better for beforehand buying.

Christmas Gift Slippers.



We have devoted an expanse of precious space in our Shoe store to the display of more good sorts of Slippers than you will find assembled in any store in this vicinity. Everybody's foot, everybody's taste, everybody's expense ideas can easily be fitted here. The Slippers are beautiful, sensible, comfortable, everything that is good. Many new styles for old and young and they may be changed after gift-giving time if your first guess is wrong.

Slippers for Women.

Juliette Slippers.—These are in fine grade of felt, fur trimmed, in black, brown and red, leather sole. \$1.00

Low Cut Slipper of the same grade, self-trimmed, flexible leather sole.

Boudoir Slippers in gray, black and red, trimmed with Pon Pon, made of undressed kid. \$1.00

Crocheted Slippers with Lamb's Wool soles,

in pink, blue, red, black, lavender and white, and pink and grey. Very special at..... 75c

Juliette Slippers of felt and French Kid, hand-turned soles, fur trimmed, at..... \$1.50

Slippers for Children.

Children's Juliette Slippers, red trimmed with black fur. Sizes 1 to 5 at 50c. Sizes 5½ to 8 at 90c. Sizes 8½ to 2 at \$1.00.

Beauty Reigns

in our Ladies' Neckwear Department.

The Holiday Neckwear for Women is here in every sort—all bright, new and beautiful. An assemblage to which all will bow profoundly.

Chiffon and Lace Jabots, Fancy Silk & Lace Stocks, Lace Collars.

Turnover Top Collars, Turnover Collar & Cuff Sets, Jet and Spangle Stocks and Collars.

Handkerchiefs.

All Linen or all Silk Handkerchiefs, perfect in every way, woven by the best mills, made by the most skilled workmen, new and attractive designs, inexhaustable numbers and variety.

For Men.

For Women.

For Children.

That's the whole story except that the prices are notably low.

Fine Cut Glass

a deservedly favored gift.

Enlarged space has been given to the Cut Glass stock and is no more than adequate. Even for Holiday season our present selling of Cut Glass is astonishing. The latest shapes and cuttings are here. The prices are in your favor.

Aprons

that will make very nice presents.

Short Aprons of Swiss Organdie and Lawn. Square and oval, with pretty applications of lace or embroidery from

50c to \$1.50.

The Linen Store at Christmastide.

Since time immemorial Fine Linen has been associated with two things—banqueting and richness. Therefore at Holiday times when festal boards are making ready and elegant gifts are being chosen. It behooves the linen store to be at its best. The best of our Linen Store is a very high standard. Enough to say now that we feel we have surpassed even ourselves in this Holiday array. Our showing includes a beautiful collection of Mexican drawn work in 22-24-30-36 and 54 inch squares. Scarfs 54 to 72 inch in length. Doilies in drawn work Teneriffe Battenberg, etc., and a superb display of Table Linen.

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